

McINTOSH COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY



January 2024 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING

We hope that everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Please join us for our first general meeting of 2024 at the Fish Dock Restaurant on Thursday, January 11. The meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. As always, you may order food, drinks, and desserts during the meeting. If you have not been to the Fish Dock Restaurant, it is located off Highway 99, at 1398 Sapelo Ave. in Crescent, beside the Sapelo River.

2023 CHRISTMAS PARTY



Our 2023 Christmas party was held at Sapelo Hammock on December 16. Mr. Tim Gardner was our moderator for this year's event. Our guest speaker was former Georgia House of Representative District 167 Jeff Jones. Mr. Jones spoke to the group regarding voter integrity. Rep. Buddy Carter stopped by to meet our members and to wish us a Merry Christmas. We wish to thank the following sponsors Skippers, Waterfront Wine & Gourmet, Blue & Hall Marina, and party members who donated door prizes and a raffle gift.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

As we start a new year, the McIntosh County Republican Party has decided to run our membership dues year from January – December. All members are asked to renew their \$25 membership dues starting in January. If you are unable to renew your membership at the January meeting, please mail your dues payable to: **McIntosh County Republican Party P. O. Box 643, Darien Ga. 31305.**

We will start updating our membership information with those who attend our January meeting. We appreciate your support with our effort to update our records. Your information will help us send out our New Letters, and meeting information. Your membership information will not be disclosed or given out (except only with your written approval).

McINTOSH COUNTY BOARD of ELECTIONS

Board Chairman Mr. DeCalvin Hughes (D) and Mrs. Marilyn Lynn (R) completed their volunteer time with the Board of Elections. The MCRP has nominated Mr. David Gardner to the 2024 Board of Elections. As a reminder, the Board of Elections meets monthly (second Tuesday) at 6:00 p.m. The Board of Elections is located at 103 Jefferson St. Darien GA 31305.

We need our members' support to ensure that the 2024 election voting process is properly monitored according to the GA voting rules and regulations. If you are interested, please contact our party chairman, Mrs. Linda Daniels

DISTRICT 1 REPUBLICAN MEETING

The 1st District Republican meeting was held in Glynn County on December 2, 2023, attended by district committee representatives, chair, and state committee representatives. Kandiss Taylor our 1st District Chairman, led a successful meeting with a comprehensive agenda. The district appointed four committee chairs, and the filling of a vacant 3rd Vice Chair who will focus on fundraising. There was an approval for a district convention venue for April, and the passage of two resolutions.

Chair Key Appointments:

- Resolutions Chair: Danny Bartlett, Ware County
- Rules Chair: John Royall, Camden County
- Credentialing Chair: Brittany Brown, Chatham County
- Code of Conduct Chair: Rachel Baldwin, Camden County

Our new 3rd Vice Chair is Belgicia Cowart from Bryan County, she was unanimously approved, with a focus on fundraising for the district.

Upcoming Fundraisers:

- The Fighting First Gala on January 19th, 2024, at the King and Prince Ballroom (tickets on sale now).
- The Fishing for Freedom Tournament on June 7-8th, 2024, along the coast.

District Convention:

The district convention for the GAGOP is set for April 20, 2024, with the Coastal Pines Technical College in Wayne County approved as the venue.

Controversial Resolutions:

1. "A Resolution to Stop the Designation of the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge as a UNESCO World Heritage Site" passed unanimously. The resolution reflects concerns about potential commercialization and changes that UNESCO designation could bring to the 1st District.
2. "A Resolution Calling for the Defeat of HB520 Mental Health Legislation" passed with over 95% approval. Members expressed concerns about the bill's potential impact on gun rights, medical freedom, and personal freedom.

McIntosh County Republican Party Executive & Precinct Members

The 2024 Executive & Precinct Members are looking forward to a productive year. We need more support from our Republican members with help to us accomplish the 2024 election year.

The Executive Officers would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Mr. Bill Johnson (Treasurer). Mr. Johnson has resigned his position as Treasurer. Mr. Johnson needed to spend more time working with family. He will still reside in McIntosh County, so if you see him thank him for his support with the McIntosh County Republican Party. Mr. Johnson served the Executive Office in many executive positions for almost 2 decades. Mr. Johnsons knowledge, support, and commitment to the Republican Party has been greatly appreciated. Thank you, Bill.