



# STARK COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

## MEETING LOCATION

La Pizzeria  
3656 Dressler Rd NW  
Canton OH 44718

**11:00am Check In**

## NEWSLETTER EDITION

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Membership

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**SRW General Meeting**  
**April 2, 2026**  
**La Pizzeria Restaurant**

**SRW Board Meeting**  
April 7, 2026, 12:00pm  
**Board Meeting Location:**  
Stark County GOP Office

**SRW Judicial Panel &  
County Offices Panel**  
**April 28, 2026**  
**Holiday Inn Belden Village**  
**5:00pm-8:00pm**  
**Sponsored by:**  
**Senator: Jane Timken**  
**Representatives:**  
**Matt Kishman, Jodi Salvo**

**SRW General Meeting**  
May 7, 2026

**SRW Board Meeting**  
May 12, 12:00pm  
**Board Meeting Location:**  
Stark County GOP Office

## Candidates for Secretary of State



Robert Sprague has served as Ohio's 49th Treasurer of State since January 14, 2019, managing the state's investment and debt portfolios and overseeing cash flows. He is now running for Ohio Secretary of State, aiming for secure and transparent elections.

Sprague holds degrees from Duke University and UNC Chapel Hill, and lives in Findlay with his wife Amanda and five children.



Marcell and his wife Nicole live in Centerville, Ohio, with their three children. His strong family values guide him as they raise their kids with faith and traditional principles.

After 20 years in the military, Marcell now works as a statewide election integrity advocate and policy advisor in Ohio, focusing on electoral reform and leadership.

## Candidates for Treasurer of Ohio



Kristina Roegner, a conservative State Senator with engineering and Wharton MBA credentials, has focused on cutting government spending, streamlining regulations, and supporting transparency. She advocates for small businesses, parental rights, public safety, and education. As Treasurer, she promises to keep investments apolitical, reject ESG policies, strengthen Ohio banking, and uphold financial transparency.



Jay Edwards, a lifelong resident of Nelsonville in Southeast Ohio, was elected to the Ohio House of Representatives in 2016 at age 27 after flipping a Democrat seat. During his tenure until 2025, he chaired the House Finance Committee, passing a \$3.2 billion tax cut and universal school choice. Jay lives in Nelsonville with his partner Jayde and their three children.

## State Central committee Man and Woman Candidates will introduce themselves:

Joe French, Ralph Spampanato, Steven Tharp Jr.

Darlene Schuring



## President's Message

March highlights Women's History Month and its 2026 theme, "*Leading the Change: Women Shaping a Sustainable Future.*" It is a moment to honor the women—past and present—who strengthen our communities and drive progress through their leadership and service.

April marks the start of primary campaign season, and the weeks leading up to May 5 are critical. Our candidates need dedicated support, and there are many ways to get involved: canvassing, preparing mailers, donating, making calls, turning out voters, or volunteering at Stark GOP Headquarters. When we show up, we win. Let us bring our energy, stand united, and make this election season one to remember.

## Mamie Eisenhower Literacy Program (MELP)

In early March, Diane Killinger, Charlene Dombrowski, and I visited the Stark County Honor Home for Women Veterans. The Honor Home was chosen as the recipient of books purchased with your 2025 donations to MELP. We were excited to present these books to the ladies, books such as: ***Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance; and for the children, Veterans: Heroes in Our Neighborhood, and Freedom of Bark.***

Thank You to all of you who donated to make this possible, and, together, we will continue to supply the Honor Home and other recipients throughout 2026 with books full of character, faith, and patriotism!

Respectfully submitted by: Chairwoman Lynne Weihe

### Lunch policy:

When making your reservation whether pre reserving at meeting or sending email to [starkrwf@gmail.com](mailto:starkrwf@gmail.com) you are committing to pay \$20.00 even if you do not show up.

We are charged for all lunch reservations once made. We accept Cash, check or Credit.

### MENU OPTIONS:

1. Caprese Salad, fresh mozzarella tomato and basil with small white pizza
2. Parmesan Crusted Scrod served over Angel hair pasta and side salad.
3. Nella; s Sub- Homemade bread with Ham Salami roasted peppers lettuce onions and cheese served with French fires.

All Reservations are due by **March 27, 2026**

**20.00 All inclusive if you make a Reservation and do not show you will be billed! RSVP to [starkrwf@gmail.com](mailto:starkrwf@gmail.com)**

2025 Membership **76**      2026 Current    82

**We have begun taking 2026 Memberships Renewals.**

**Please use this form to complete your renewal and pay for your 2026 Membership**

## MEMBERSHIP FORM 2026

STARK COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Make checks payable to **STARK COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

Membership dues and renewals are due Jan. 1 and delinquent January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

**Mail check to: Stark County GOP Attention: Stark County Republican Women**

**2729 Fulton Drive NW Canton, OH 44718**

Regular Member New  or Renewal  \$35.00 (Republican women with voting rights in this unit)

Associate Member  \$15.00 (Members of other units, Republican men)

Patron  \$75.00 (Republican women, men or businesses wishing to request special status)

**Please request more information about our Sponsorship Program**

### Ask About Sponsorship Opportunities

#### Member Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Month and day of birth \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

#### Treasurer's Report      March 2026

Beginning Balance: (2/12/26)

\$ **5,535.10**

Deposits:

\$ **1,661.81**

Expenditures:

\$ **(2,574.68)**

Ending Balance: (3/10/26)

\$ **4,622.23**

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Sandy Smith



Honoring those who keep the  
flame burning.

by achieving 100% or more  
membership over 2025.

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:

*Submitted by State Senator Jane Timken*

### Ohio Gubernatorial Race

Ohio GOP-endorsed candidate Vivek Ramaswamy has launched a \$10 million ad campaign set to run through election day, maintaining strong voter engagement. Ramaswamy is also leading in fundraising over his opponent, Amy Acton.

### Legislative Actions on Data Center Tariffs

Representatives Rader (D) and David Thomas (R) introduced legislation to expand AEP's data center tariff statewide, aiming to shield residents and other businesses from bearing infrastructure costs. Lawmakers are considering overriding Governor DeWine's veto that maintained tax exemptions for data centers.

### Governor DeWine's State of the State Address

Governor DeWine emphasized Ohio's business climate and advocated for child-focused policies, including more eye screenings, school cell phone bans, AI regulation, and increased student recess.

### Upcoming Legislative Focus: Capital Budget

Lawmakers will prioritize the capital budget, with most funding expected for cultural institutions, parks, mental health facilities, and universities. The budget is set for passage by June.

#### **SPONSORSHIP LEVELS AND OPPORTUNITIES**

As a leader, you understand the importance of having volunteers and skilled leaders to support campaigns and our overarching goals and mission.

Our mission is to train, educate, and recruit these leaders to be an essential part of the process in electing qualified individuals. We invite you to support our local organization as a sponsor.

The benefits you will receive, aside from having trained volunteers and skilled leaders, are listed below.

- 1. Listed in our Monthly Newsletter**
- 2. Promoted at every meeting**
- 3. Signage with your business name or office**
- 4. Special Recognition at our events**
- 5. Opportunity to address our group for updates or during campaigns.**

Additionally, your sponsorship will enable us to expand our outreach efforts, increase our training programs, and support more women in their pursuit of political and civic leadership roles. With your investment, we can ensure that our community thrives with well-prepared and enthusiastic leaders dedicated to our shared values and goals.

We have Three Levels of Sponsorship, Join our current Sponsors this year!

**Patriot: 500.00**

**Stars and Stripes: 250.00**

**Liberty: 100.00**

*Elayne Dunlap, VP Alliance School Board    Sandy Rains, Cutler Real Estate*

*Jeff Furr, Candidate for Judge*

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**Sheila Farmer**

**Karen Fitzpatrick**

**Susan Gessner**

**Faye Heston**

**Jenn Kiko**

**Diane Killinger**

**Dr. Ed Lohnes**

**Patricia Miller**

**Julie Harwig Smith**

**Jane Timken**

**Dates for volunteering:**

**Check-In Table**

**April 2 Check-In Table; Charlene Dombrowski Beverly Wilke**

**May 7: Dianna Moore Jennifer Kiko**

**Membership Committee:** Katelyn Reinhart, Deborah Giebel

**Precinct Committee\*\*** Open Position

**\*\* Looking for two more volunteers for this committee\*\***

**Americanism Chair:** Susan Buckey

**Armed Services/Veterans Committee:**

Charlene Dombrowski, Dianna Moore

**50/50 volunteers April** Karen Maierhofer **May** Janet Creighton

**Photographers:** Karen Maierhofer and Susie Buckey

**Newsletter:** Claudia Wilkens

**Hospitality:** Beverly Wilke

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