

March 2022

Dear Club Presidents and Board Members,

We would like to invite your club to participate in the 2022 OFRW *Tribute to Women*, which will be held Friday, August 26, as a prequel to the OFRW Annual Conference, at Embassy Suites Dublin. *Tribute to Women* was established in 1980 to honor local club members who have given their time and talent to promote Republican candidates and values. In addition to supporting the election of excellent candidates, criteria for being honored can include things such as serving in government offices, volunteering in civic and church organizations, accomplishing meaningful results in professional life, and rearing happy, healthy families.

We are asking each club in the state to select one member to be honored at this year's event, and to be sure the woman chosen knows that she is to be honored so she can plan to attend, and invite family and friends. **DO NOT** "surprise" the honoree! Try to select someone who has not received the honor before.

Please print and complete the form for honorees that can be downloaded from the OFRW web site, and provide biographical information about the individual that can be developed into a profile to be printed in the program. Honoree applications and payment are due by Friday, May 6, 2022. Mail the application materials to: Marilyn Clark, 77 E. North Broadway Street, Columbus, OH 43214 by that date. Or, email them to Marilyn at mjc1016@sbcglobal.net. Her office phone is 614/262-2225. Please mail a check for \$35, payable to OFRW, to our assistant treasurer Mary Beth Kemmer, 659 Sedgwick Way, Troy, OH 45373. Please write "honoree" and that person's name on the lower left line of the check.

Honorees deserve the full support of their clubs! Please encourage your members, their families, and friends to attend the 2022 *Tribute to Women*. Further details about the event will be forthcoming. Plans for the program are currently in progress and will be announced soon.

Finally, the *Tribute to Women* committee will secure citations from Governor DeWine and Senator Portman, and Republican U.S. Representatives. Please request them from your state senators and representatives, as well as local elected Republicans and the county party chair. A citation can be a brief letter, a certificate, or other congratulatory document. Clubs can mail these to Marilyn, or bring them to the event to be put in the awards packets. In addition to honoring worthy women, *Tribute to Women* earns some income for OFRW. Mark your calendars, get the word out, and count on a very special day!

Sincerely,

Marilyn Clark Marilyn Clark - Chair, Tribute to Women Chair