

Thomas Jefferson drafted the Declaration of Independence in Philadelphia behind a veil of congressionally imposed secrecy in June 1776. In anticipation of a vote for independence, the Continental Congress on June 11 appointed Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman and Robert R. Livingston as a committee to draft a declaration of independence. The committee then delegated Thomas Jefferson to undertake the task. Jefferson worked diligently in private for days to compose a document.

Jefferson then made a clean or "fair" copy of the composition declaration, which became the foundation of the document, labeled by Jefferson as the "original Rough draught". Forty-seven revisions were made by the committee before presenting it to Congress on June 28. After voting for independence on July 2, the Congress then continued to refine the document, making thirty-nine additional revisions to the committee draft before its final adoption on the morning of July 4.

Congress then ordered the printing of the Declaration of Independence. Late on July 4, John Dunlap, a Philadelphia printer, produced the first printed text of the Declaration of Independence, now known as the "Dunlap Broadside". Twenty-four copies are known to exist.

As we approach Independence Day with picnics, parades and fireworks, let us be mindful of the words that precede us "We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed, by their Creator, with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness".

Cindy Stein, Chairman

**GREENE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB**

The Greene County Republican Women's Club will meet on Thursday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at the Price Cutter Restaurant, located on E. Battlefield. The meeting will start at 12:00 noon, but you are invited to come early and enjoy lunch with us before the meeting. Carol Jones of Carol Jones Realty will be our guest speaker. Mark Wright, candidate for State Auditor, may come by to see us also. We look forward to seeing you July 13<sup>th</sup>.

Pat Hackett, President

## **CHARLIE DENISON FUNDRAISER**

There will be a reception for Representative Charlie Denison on Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. at Highland Springs Country Club hosted by Governor Matt & Melanie Blunt, MSU and the R-12 School District. Cost is \$50.00 per person. For more information or tickets call 887-3353.

## **RALLY FOR BOB BILYEU**

Rally for Bob Bilyeu, Candidate for the 134<sup>th</sup> Legislative District, on Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Martin Park in Republic. The band “Big Smith” will be the entertainment. Food and beverage will be provided, bring your own lawn chair. No charge for the event, donations welcome.

## **SHANE SCHOELLER FUNDRAISER**

There will be a fundraiser for Shane Schoeller for State Representative on Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. at the home of Dr. John and Commissioner Roseann Bentley at 1500 E. Meadowmere. Tickers are \$50.00 per person, \$75.00 per couple and \$250.00 for sponsorship. For more information call Peggy Kubicek, 459-0649.

## **MICHAEL GOODART MEET-N-GREET BBQ**

Michael Goodart will be having a Meet-N-Greet BBQ at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at Phelps Grove Park. There will be no cost, bring the family out and have some fun and eat some great food. (Donations will be accepted up to \$325/person) Visit the website [www.michaelgoodart.com](http://www.michaelgoodart.com) They will have donated items on display that will be auctioned off that includes Springfield Cardinal Tickets and an authentic, handcrafted Osage Indian Bow and a beautifully handcrafted Damascus knife made by Michael’s father. Mark your calendars and R.S.V.P. to [michael@michaelgoodart.com](mailto:michael@michaelgoodart.com) or (417) 631-5000.

## **JOE PYLES RALLY SCHEDULE**

Joe Pyles, Candidate for State Representative, will have a rally on the following dates from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. Public Invited. Bring your lawn chairs.

Thursday, July 20, Doling Park Pavilion  
Friday, July 21, Pavilion at Park on Jackson St in Willard  
Friday, July 28, Wommack Mill Pavilion, Fair Grove  
Thursday, August 3, City Park, 212 E. College, Walnut Grove

## **BOB DIXON FAMILY BBQ**

It's time once again for the Bob Dixon Family BBQ on Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at the Oasis Inn & Convention Center behind North Town Mall. \$25 - \$325 per family – your choice. Call 869-2960 for tickets or more information.

## **T.A.R.G.E.T. NEWS**

A few years ago, Past Greene County Chairman, Bill Mauck, came up with the idea that we should be doing something for Veterans and their families on Memorial Day. This year, as in past years, ice cream and ice water was served to people attending the Veterans Cemetery. Thanks Bill for a great idea. Everyone that stops by the tent appreciates the kindness that is shown. Thank you to all the volunteers that help serve, you did a great job.

The annual T.A.R.G.E.T. BBQ will be held on August 5, 2006 at the main pavilion at Phelps Grove Park from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Candidates, entertainment, and food will be provided. Your ticket purchase will help support our local Republican candidates. See you there.

Dave O'Dell, President

## **GREATER OZARKS PACHYDERM CLUB**

I would like to thank everyone who attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Pachyderms Night at the Cardinals. It was a great success due to the efforts of our board members and especially David Schultz! Thanks David.

Join us on Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at Panera Bread at National and Elm at 7:00 a.m. for the breakfast meeting. Tom Barr, Ozark Mailing Service, will be speaking on "The Importance of Entrepreneurship In America".

The noon meeting at Cartoon on Glenstone will be Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. Vincent David Jericho, host of the KSGF morning talk show will be our speaker.

Miles Ross, President

Shane Schoeller, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President