



## Brookfield Republican Town Committee P. O. Box 5154 Brookfield, CT 06804 www.brookfieldgop.com

## With Sincere Thanks...

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To all of our Advertisers and Donors,

2014 was a great year for Brookfield Republicans, and it was great year because of you. Thanks to your generosity and believing in our cause, we were able to take on several meaningful endeavors to benefit the Republican Party here in Brookfield and across Connecticut.

So that you can understand where the funds you provided goes, we have put together a 2014 Year-in-Review of our activities.

**JANUARY** – Nearly 150 Republicans attended our biennial RTC Caucus and elected 25 members and 10 alternates to serve on BRTC for the 2014-16 term.

**FEBRUARY** – Brookfield RTC hosted the first Republican Gubernatorial debate in Connecticut at Brookfield High School. Four candidates attended and Brookfield received statewide coverage via several forms of media. Over 20 candidates were recommended to fill seats on Brookfield's appointed volunteer Boards and Commissions.

**MARCH** – the newly elected Brookfield RTC took office. Marty Flynn retired at the conclusion of three terms as Chairman, succeeded by Matt Grimes. The new town committee's first order of business was to select over 50 Brookfield Republican delegates to the various conventions in May.

**APRIL** – Brookfield Republicans held our first ever Republican of the Year Banquet at Bocca Trattoria by Franco in Brookfield. The sold out crowd watched former House Speaker Fran Collins earn the main award, former RTC Chair George Hope for the Bud Brown Leadership Award for Lifetime Contribution, and Reet Lubin for the Martha Burr Unsung Hero Award. Nearly every statewide Republican candidate attended. Also in April, Clark Chapin announced his bid for a second term in the State Senate and Marty Landgrebe began his quest for a second term as judge of the Housatonic Probate Court.

MAY – Thanks to the hard work of our Boards of Selectmen and Finance, Brookfield's budget easily passed with one of the lowest tax increases in recent history. State Rep. David Scribner announced his bid for a ninth term. Brookfield Republicans were well represented by our delegates at the Housatonic Probate, 30<sup>th</sup> State Senate, 107<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, and GOP State Conventions.

**JUNE** – Preparation work began for both the Brookfield GOP Summer Social and the Republican Primary in August.

**JULY** – Busiest month for the fundraising efforts by far with the collection of raffle prizes and the selling of advertisements for our Summer Social book.

**AUGUST** – A record crowd attended our August 1 Brookfield GOP Summer Social at Golf Quest Family Sports Center – many from Brookfield and beyond. Most candidates came, including six of the eight running in the August 13 GOP Primary, in which over 500 Brookfield Republicans came to the polls despite no candidate from greater-Danbury being on the ballot.

**SEPTEMBER** – With the primary concluded, we moved into our spacious headquarters at 273 Federal Road (old Thomasville Furniture) and began distributing materials, signing up volunteers, and setting up a massive effort for the November election.

**OCTOBER** – Like its predecessor in the summer, our Brookfield GOP Fall Social also had record attendance! The main event was a Pizza Party with Congressional Candidate Mark Greenberg. Campaign activities happened weekly with much of the BRTC Membership engaged. Brookfield Republicans manned a tabled at the first annual 4-Corners Block Party.

**NOVEMBER** – Gubernatorial Candidate Tom Foley chose Brookfield GOP Headquarters to hold his Rally for Western Connecticut, which featured the surprise drop out of independent candidate Joe Visconti. Despite a disappointing election for Connecticut Republicans statewide, Brookfield gave Tom Foley and the entire ticket its largest winning margin in the greater Danbury area. By a double digit margin, Brookfield passed a Charter Revision to require separate votes on town and school budgets.

**DECEMBER** – We concluded the year with our Annual Christmas Party at Golf Quest. Again, a record attendance with several elected officials.

Your generosity helped us communicate our message throughout the year, and we begin 2015 with much energy and enthusiasm. We could not have done it without you.

In the months ahead, please pay close attention, participate in our efforts and encourage your friends and neighbors to do the same. Thanks again for your support – and our work is far from over, we've only just begun. Many debates in Brookfield await citizen participation and we are committed to making sure your voice is heard.

Very truly yours,

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