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"Candidates running in the 2016 election must be pressured into stating what they would do to get back what we've lost in our Constitutional principles."
Loretta

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President's Message



By LORETTA ROBERTS
President, Clear Creek Republican Women

September 17 is National Constitution Day. A core principle of Clear Creek Republican Women is the to preserve, value and honor our Constitution, and you will see us involved in educating youngsters about the US Constitution in September.

Do you remember your civics lessons from high school? Three branches of government with checks and balances so no one branch has supreme power?

Well dear readers, today we are witnessing a dangerous erosion of the core principles of our Constitution – the separation of powers --as evidenced by recent Supreme Court decisions.

The Supreme Court is now in the business of rewriting existing laws instead of sending legislation back to Congress to clean up and clarify. Their decision to ignore the actual wording of the Affordable Care Act on the individual mandate in 2010 and federal subsidies in 2015 are disturbing decisions.

Why mention this in a President's message? I know anyone reading this far has to be a Republican woman who votes on election day.

The vote is where we make a difference.

I am so excited that CCRW General Meetings will resume on August 7 at 11:45 at LaBrisa Mexican Restaurant and that our main speaker will be Representative Greg Bonnen, MD. We know that Dr. Bonnen keeps us at the forefront of legislative matters.



Local Officials, Ken Clark, Bill Sargent, Dr Robin Armstrong, Mayor Tim Paulissen, Dr Greg Bonnen

I plan to continue the practice of having short highly informative updates from local officials before the main speaker so plan to spend a productive hour or so at noon on August 7. **Bring a guest and join us. We would love to have you there!**

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August 7th Guest Speaker

The Honorable Dr. Greg Bonnen **Texas State Representative, District 24** **"Texas State Legislature"**

Representative Bonnen was elected to represent Galveston County as a member of the Texas House of Representatives in November 2012. He currently serves on the House Appropriations Committee and House Committee on Insurance. Representative Bonnen has been appointed to the Appropriations Article I, IV, and V subcommittee. He has been elected by his colleagues in the House Republican Caucus to serve on the caucus policy committee, is a member of the House Energy Caucus, and serves as a member of the Energy Council. Representative Bonnen has been named a "Conservative Leader" by the Texas Conservative Roundtable and a "Courageous Conservative" by the Texas Conservative Coalition.



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281-337-7833**2016 Republican Primary Debate Schedule****The Republican National Committee has released the list of officially sanctioned debates:****August 6** 9pm ET, Fox News Channel, Moderators: Bret Baier, Megyn Kelly and Chris Wallace in Cleveland, Ohio.

Rules: Top 10 candidates in an average of 5 national Polls.

August 6 1pm, Fox News has added a candidate forum for candidates who don't make the debate cut.**September 16** CNN, Moderators: Jake Tapper and Hugh Hewitt.Rules: Split field into Segment B (top 10 candidates) and Segment A (remaining candidates getting at least 1% in the polls)
Location: Simi Valley, CA**October 2015** CNBC, Location: Colorado**November 2015** Fox Business Network, Location: Wisconsin**December 2015** CNN, Location: Las Vegas, Nevada**January 2016** Fox News Channel: Iowa**February 6, 2016** ABC: Manchester, NH**February 2016** CBS: South Carolina**February 26, 2016** NBC / Telemundo: Texas**March 2016** Fox News Channel: Location TBA**March 10, 2016** CNN: Florida**(Some dates are pending)****MENU****CLEAR CREEK REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

August 7, 2015

PLEASE PICK ONE OF THREE1. Combo Fajitas with Grilled Onions, Cilantro Rice,, Black Beans
\$17.00 (\$15 for cash)**Or**

2. Chicken Fajita Taco Salad, 2 dressings available \$17.00 (\$15 for cash)

Or3. Tea, Coffee, or Coke, Green Salsa and Red Salsa, Guacamole and Chips.
\$7.00 (\$5.00 for cash)**Reservations Required, Thank you**

If you are making Reservations for others, kindly give the names for Reservation List

Barbara J. Vollmer 713-208-9527

reservations.ccrw@gmail.com**Please make your reservation by Tuesday, August 5**

We are unable to order anything except what's on this menu.

If you have a food allergy, please feel free to email me and I will try to accommodate you.

Please note: cancellations are available up to 9:30 pm on the TUESDAY before our Meetings on Friday.

You will be sent a bill for the amount of Reservation made, if you do not attend.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter. Thank you for all those who have been making RESERVATIONS !
If you make a reservation, and do not attend, we must bill you. We hope you understand.

CCRW Happy Birthdays...by Mary Horn, Corresponding Secretary



August

- 11: Terry Wilson
- 13: Natalie Roth; Gary Shum
- 17: Rick Sharp
- 19: Lesley Bruemmer; Tina Kirbie
- 21: Tyler Drummond
- 27: John Tugwell
- 29: Bettie Moss

31: Francis Nussbaum

Please keep **Bertha Adams** in your thoughts and prayers as she remains in the hospital following heart surgery.



Note:

If you haven't got one already the CCRW Directories will be mailed after the August 7th meeting.

Clear Creek Republican Women Minutes of a Meeting of the General Membership May 8th, 2015

Call to Order: President Loretta Roberts called the CCRW meeting to order at 11:48 am Daylight Savings time on May 8th 2015 at La Brisa Mexican Grill in League City Texas. An invocation was given by Chaplain Mary Blackwell, the United States and Texas Pledge were lead by Commissioner Ken Clark. Ms. Roberts then recognized the Elected Officials present. She then welcomed the guests and new members.

Galveston County Tax Assessor Cheryl Johnson was given time to speak about the current Tax Appraisals and the increase. She is offering a special class on how to protest your Property Taxes for Galveston County residents.

Guest Speaker: President Loretta Roberts introduced this month's speaker Author of Aboard the Tygrrr Express, Eric Golub. Political Author and Comedian.

Business Meeting: President Loretta Roberts reminded attendees that the minutes of the April 3rd General Meeting were printed in the newsletter and asked if there were corrections to be made. None being offered a motion was made to approve the minutes as printed and was carried. Treasurer Cindy Reddy reported the current balance of \$5,174.62. Literacy Chair Keri Long reminded members that the baskets on the table were for donations for the Literacy program and she is still seeking book donations. Alison Putman is planning a Happy Hour mid July and to watch your email for the information. Ms. Roberts then announced that the next meeting would be August 7th at LaBrisa Mexican Grill and our speaker would be Dr. Greg Bonnen.

New Business: No new business was initiated.

Announcements: Special Thanks to Mary Kennedy for her work on the Directory. Thanks Constable Brown for the Speakers Gift. July 23rd Save the Date for Michelle Slaughters campaign kickoff. May 21st there is a kid's event for law enforcement from 11-2 at Trinity School at 22nd street. Complementary Ice Cream as you exit.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:59pm daylight savings time.

Respectfully Submitted,
PAULA SMITH,
Recording Secretary



Chaplain's Message

By **MARY O. BLACKWELL**

CCRW Chaplain

Your Fruit

Galatians 5:22-26 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, self-control; against such there is no law. And they that are of Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with the passions and the lusts thereof. If we live by the Spirit, by the Spirit let us also walk. Let us not become vainglorious, provoking one another, envying one another. Are you led, driven, in bondage to your own desires? Or does God's Holy Spirit dwell in you? Who lives in you? Here's how you know _by your fruits.

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God Bless

SREC - State Republican Executive Committee

DO YOU WANT TO HAVE A VOTE FOR OUR SD 11 SREC COMMITTEE WOMAN AND COMMITTEE MAN ?

Then this is what you need to do to be eligible to vote at the convention:

•**Attend the Precinct Convention – March 1, 2016**

Every person who voted in the Republican primary is eligible to attend

•**Attend the County/Senatorial District Convention – Saturday, March 19, 2016**

•**Attend the Republican State Convention – May 12 - May 14, 2016**

Dallas Convention Center, Dallas, TX

Delegates and alternates will be elected to the national convention, our SD11 State Republican Executive Committeeman and Committeewoman,

Presidential Electors and the National Committeeman and Committeewoman are elected.

Our National Committeeman from Texas is Dr. Robin Armstrong and National Committeewoman is Toni Ann Dashiell.

2016
REPUBLICAN
NATIONAL
CONVENTION



Republican National Convention is July 18-21, 2016 in Cleveland, Ohio and an official candidate for U.S. President will be nominated.

How exciting is that!

REMEMBER, IT ALL STARTS AT OUR PRECINCT CONVENTION.

BE THERE!

Literacy Report

By **KARI LONG**

Literacy Chairman

We are gearing up for our special program in honor of "Constitution Month" on September 11.

A BIG "THANK YOU" to Councilwoman Geri Bentley, Barbara Vollmer, and Loretta Roberts for donating new or gently used books and to the membership for your monetary donations to help our Literacy Fund. It is not too late to donate books for

this event. We will have invited guests from our local community to receive the donated books. Our committee hopes all can attend such a special event.

In other Literacy News, if you are looking for a great volunteer opportunity, look no further than the "**Leaders Make Readers**" Program with CCISD and the City of League City. Participating schools are Stewart, League City, and Ross Elementary Schools. To learn more

about the program and to apply, click here: <http://www.ccisd.net/departments/communications/volunteer-opportunities/leaders-make-readers>.

If you are a "Leader Make Reader" Program volunteer, we would love to know who you are and recognize you at our September Literacy Event. Please email me at:

kariplong@hotmail.com

Coming Events Calendar



AUGUST 7

CCRW GENERAL MEETING

LABRISA

DOORS OPEN---SOCIAL 11:00 A.M.

MEETING BEGINS 11:45 A.M.

SPEAKER: GREG BONNEN, MD

TX HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

DISTRICT 24—12:15 P.M.

Luncheon Update—11:55 A.M.

Speaker: Dist. Atty. Jack Rody

AUGUST 28

CCRW BOARD MEETING

COUNTY ANNEX 10:00 A.M.

SEPTEMBER 11 (2nd Friday due to
Labor Day)

CCRW GENERAL MEETING

LABRISA

DOORS OPEN---SOCIAL 11:00 A.M.

MEETING BEGINS 11:45 A.M.

SPEAKER: LOGAN CHURCHWELL

Communications Director,

True The Vote: ELECTION INTEGRITY &

VOTING PROCESSES

SEPTEMBER 10---12

NFRW 34TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

Phoenix, AZ

SEPTEMBER 17

CONSTITUTION DAY

SEPTEMBER 25

CCRW BOARD MEETING

COUNTY ANNEX

OCTOBER 2

CCRW GENERAL MEETING

LABRISA

OCTOBER 16

CCRW BOARD MEETING

COUNTY ANNEX

NOVEMBER 5---7

TFRW CONVENTION LUBBOCK, TX

NOVEMBER 13

CCRW GENERAL MEETING

LABRISA

December 4

It's Celebration Time

CCRW
15th Anniversary
Celebration and
Fundraiser
Christmas
Luncheon

South Shore
Country Club
11:00 A.M.- 1:00 P.M.



**Congratulations
Fay!**

*Fay Picard has been
officially elected to
represent CCRW at the
NFRW national
convention, Sept. 10-12.*

*We are proud to have
Fay as our delegate.*



By Ryan Dennard

Precinct 1

Family

In the face of the radical social avalanche now pouring down our American landscape, let's remember our political interest in protecting traditional marriage and families. Certainly, faith matters deeply. But for political reasons alone, those who suggest segregating the issue into separate compartments of public secularism and personal values are either liars or fools.

In political federalism, including America, self-rule is built block-by-block from the ground up. Families

Guest Column: Report from County Commissioner

lies are the cornerstone, the foundational civil institution where we practice the art of governing ourselves. Families form communities, communities form towns, towns form states, and nations are born. This is an ancient and enduring truth explained by Aristotle (350 B.C.) and many after him.

It was a truth recognized by our Founders. James Wilson, signer of both the Declaration of Independence and U.S. Constitution, held marriage and family life to be **“the true origin of society,” the first and most vital foundation on which civil society rests.**

A few years later, Alexis de Tocqueville, the most renowned non-American commentator on our early Republic, attributed the stability of American political society

to the strength of the marriage institution, which offered a “picture of order and peace.” “The American,” he concluded, “derives from his home the love of order which he carries over into affairs of the state.”

Today, loud voices oppose our personal and political values. John Hittinger, philosophy professor at the University of St. Thomas, observes “the contemporary ideologies of liberal progressivism and Marxist socialism . . . argue that the family is an obstacle to progress and the full realization of a just political society.”

These folks don't really want to “expand” the concept of family. They want to dilute and ultimately destroy it. Like diluting mortar by adding more and more sand, so

the mortar becomes brittle, they would continually redefine the very concept of family until it has no objective meaning, and it crumbles as a concept. As that happens, the political and civic structures that are built upon that foundation will gradually sag and crumble with it.

Those at the forefront of this effort march under the banner of “liberty,” but they are liars. And those who believe them are fools.

The Republican Party of Texas, in its platform, “support[s] the affirmation of traditional Judeo-Christian family values” and “oppose[s] the assault on marriage by judicial activists.” These values and ideas are essential today more than ever.

Membership Report

By Barbara Vollmer
1st V.P. Membership

Membership is up.

Members 72
Associates. 66

TOTAL.
138 members

NEW MEMBERS:

MAY

Pam Appffel
Deloris Drawing
Linda Cizek-Brown
Judge Patricia Grady
Laura Jones
Sherrie Roy

JUNE

Brooks Cima
Dr. Shelia Payne

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:

MAY

Darrell Appffel
Jay Ewend
Kimberly Nitzschke

We are looking for many exciting things to happen the next 5 months as we gear up for elections



CCRW Gals at the July 4th Citizens Appreciation Day in League City.

(LtoR) Billie Listiak, Kathie Nenninger, Catharin Lewis, Kari Long, and Loretta Roberts

Potpouri

Governor Sarah Palin's Moose Stew (substitute beef)
Feeds 6-8

- 1 (2 - 2 1/2 pound) beef roast, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 2 tablespoons shortening
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon paprika
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 (10 1/2 ounce) cans condensed beef broth
- 1 cup dry red wine
- 1 onion, diced
- 12-15 small whole white onions
- 3-4 carrots, chopped

- 10 small potatoes, peeled
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons flour

You'll need at least a 2-3 gallon pot to handle this volume of stew.

Sauté cubes of beef in shortening until browned on all sides. Throw in the pepper, paprika, bay leaf, salt, beef broth, red wine, onion and carrots. Cover and simmer for 2 hours or until the meat is tender. Add the whole onions and peeled potatoes; cover again and simmer for an additional 15-20 minutes,

or until the vegetables become slightly tender. Mix the butter and flour into a paste and drop this into the stew pot. Continue to cook, stirring the stew, until the moose stew bubbles and thickens up.

Serve with rice or other sides of your liking.



Quote of the Day

One way to make sure crime doesn't pay would be to let the government run it.

[Ronald Reagan](#)

Ask the Editor

What do you want to know in your newsletter?

Tell us...
rubyegal@yahoo.com



Chicks Having a Good Time!

Some pictures from the CCRW 1st informal mixer. It was a huge success! Thanks to:

Allison Putman,
Legislative Chairman
Ruth Morris, Legislative Co-Chair,
And Ginger Grutzius, Owner of Ginger's Coastal Eatery in San Leon



Galveston County Elected Officials



County of Galveston

County Judge	Mark A. Henry	(409) 766-2244
Commissioner, Precinct 1	Ryan Dennard	(409) 770-5474
Commissioner, Precinct 2	Joe Giusti	(409) 770-5475
Commissioner, Precinct 3	Stephen Holmes	(409) 770-5806
Commissioner, Precinct 4	Ken Clark	(281) 316-8744
10th District Court Judge	Kerry L Neves	(409) 766-2230
122nd District Court Judge	John A. Ellisor	(409) 766-2275
212th District Court Judge	Patricia Grady	(409) 766-2266
306th District Court Judge	Anne B. Darring	(409) 766-2255
405th District Court Judge	Michelle M. Slaughter	(409) 765-2688
56th District Court Judge	Lonnie Cox	(409) 766-2226
District Clerk	John Kinard	(409) 766-2424
County Court 1	John Grady	(409) 766-2233
County Court 2	Barbara Roberts	(409) 766-2405
County Court 3	Jack Ewing	(409) 621-7920
Probate Court Judge	Kim Sullivan	(409) 766-2251
County Clerk	Dwight Sullivan	(409) 766-2200
County Sheriff	Henry Trochesset	(409) 766-2301
County Treasurer	Kevin Walsh	(409) 770-5395
District Attorney	Jack Roady	(409) 766-2355
Tax Assessor-Collector	Cheryl E. Johnson	(409) 766-2260
Justice of the Peace 1	Alison Cox	(409) 770-5818
Justice of the Peace 2	Jim Schweitzer	(409) 766-2250
Justice of the Peace 3	Penny Pope	(409) 770-5455
Justice of the Peace 4	Kathleen McCumber	(281) 316-8716
Constable 1	Michael Montez & Rick Sharp	(409) 770-5818
Constable 2	Clint Wayne Brown & Jimmy Fullen	(409) 770-6229
Constable 3	Terry Petteway, Derrick Rose & William Comeaux	(409) 770-5177
Constable 4	Jerry Fisher	(281) 316-8711



**Clear Creek Republican Women PAC
Galveston County, Texas
2015 Membership Application**

Name _____ Spouse _____

Mailing Address _____ Precinct # _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone Numbers (H) _____ (Cell) _____

Email _____

Occupation _____ Birthday (Month/day) _____

Full Member \$25.00 ** _____

New Member _____ Renewal* _____

*Member since _____

Associate Member \$15.00 _____

Member of another RW Club? ___ Yes ___ No ___ If yes, name of club _____

How did you hear about CCRW? Newspaper (name) _____ Website (name) _____

Friend (name) _____ Other _____

I would like to help with the following (Please check all that interest you)

Audits _____ Awards _____ By-Laws _____ CCRW Directory _____ Historian _____ Hospitality _____

Legislation _____ Newsletter _____ Community Outreach _____ Parliamentarian _____ Publicity _____

Fundraising _____ Website _____

Hobbies/Areas/Topics of Interest/Comments _____

Please mail membership application and check to:

Cindy Reddy, CCRW PAC Treasurer, 201 Water Oak Drive, League City, Texas 77573

Date Paid _____	Check# _____	Cash _____	Amt. Paid _____
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