CLEAR CREEK REPUBLICAN WOMEN

January 2015 Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE......



We are looking forward to a very productive 2015 and already many activities are on the near horizon.

I will be meeting with new officers and committee chairman for a Mini-Leadership Session on January 7 prior to our January 9 Annual meeting at LaBrisa Mexican Restaurant.

CCRW meetings are on the first Friday of the month except for January of this year. We begin with a social time at 11:00, meal at 11:30, speaker/program at 12:00 followed by a short business meeting.

Opening day at the 84th Texas State Legislature in Austin is January 13th. Maybe you can attend and sit in the gallery, wearing red, of course. Greater Houston Council meets the third Tuesdays of the month at the SOSA Center, 1414 Wirt Rd. in Houston and there we have the opportunity to get training and meet with other Republican women from area clubs.

TFRW Legislative Day 2015 is Thursday, April 16 in Austin at the AT&T Conference Center and registration is open online at the TFRW website. It is always a fun and exciting event to sit in the gallery at the State Capitol in a sea of red along with Republican women from across the state. Look for more information online and I hope many of you will be interested in attending.

TFRW Biennial Convention is in Lubbock on November 5-7, 2015 and I am hoping that CCRW will be sending a full contingent of delegates.

Now is the time to begin renewing memberships for 2015. Membership applications have been mailed to members and we are getting a good response.

Let us not forget that we must stay engaged and continue to reach out and invite those women around us who are looking for a Women's Republican Club to join.

I wish you each a warm and wonderful 2015 and may the coming year bring many blessings.

Loretta Roberts President, Clear Creek Republican Women

JANUARY GUEST SPEAKER HONORABLE KERRY NEVES

The Honorable Kerry Neves, Judge,10th District Court, Galveston County, Texas will be CCRW speaker for January 9, 2015.

Judge Neves assumed the bench on January 1, 2013. He practiced in Galveston County for many years and is well known across the state of Texas.

Join us to learn what Judge Neves says about <u>Citizens United</u> and much more.

Faye Roberson 2nd VP Programs 281-648-6619

JOIN US FOR LUNCH

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2015
AT
LA BRISA'S RESTAURANT
501 WESLEY DRIVE, LEAGUE CITY
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch - \$15.00* (optional)

Please make your reservations by Monday, January 5th at

reservations.ccrw@gmail.com

or call Barbara J. Vollmer at 713-208-9527
*(Reservations REQUIRED if you want Lunch)

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2015 dues for membership in Clear Creek Republican Women are due by January 1, 2015 and delinquent on March 1, 2015.

Our meetings are the first Friday of each month except June and July at La Brisa Mexican Restaurant located at 501 Wesley Dr., League City.

Because of New Year's Day, our January meeting will be <u>FRIDAY</u>, <u>JANUARY 9</u>, <u>2015</u>, <u>at 11:30</u> <u>a.m.</u>

A membership form is attached and can be mailed to our PAC Treasurer, Cindy Reddy. A big thank you to those who have already renewed!!

Full membership - \$25.00 Associate membership - \$15.00

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

Thank you so much and may God bless America.

Loretta E. Roberts, 2014 1st VP Membership Incoming 2015 President Clear Creek Republican Women 281-334-3492



January

- 3 John Seidensticker
- 7 Nick Long
- 8 J.D. Roberts
- 12 Norma Byous
- 13 Steven Reddy
- 13 Kevin Walsh
- 15 Catherin Lewis
- 15 Sharon Meier
- 31 Jeannie Koenig

CAMPAIGN ACTIVITES

It has been a very busy campaign season and we want to let TFRW know about all the hard work and long hours you have done. Please turn in your October, November and December hours by January 4, 2015, to Martha Pierson

mrennob@yahoo.com

Her report is due to TFRW by January 6, 2015.

Also, any hours not reported during the year can be counted in the overall total for the year. So far we have 1352 hours reported for the

year.

Martha Pierson,
Outgoing Campaign Activities Chair

CLEAR CREEK REPUBLICAN WOMEN CELEBRATES FIFTEENTH YEAR

In January of 2000, Clear Creek Republican Women was chartered by Texas Federation of Republican Woman as North Galveston County Republican Women. Beginning this January, Clear Creek Republican Women (CCRW) will be celebrating its fifteenth year as a Republican Federated club.

CCRW had its beginnings in the fall of 1999 when four Republican ladies came together to discuss the need for a Republican Women's club in north Galveston County. They needed 10 members before they could start their club and it wasn't long until they found the necessary 10 Republicans that agreed with them.

CCRW's first meeting was in the home of Bonnie Norman, CCRW's first President. They elected: Kathie Nenninger, VP Membership, Claire Worthington, VP Programs, Susan Dill, Secretary and Sheryl Stevens, Treasurer.

The name was changed to Clear Creek Republican Women at their second meeting to reflect the flow of the creek that traveled from Friendswood through League City. They decided to hold meetings on the 1st Friday of the month and set the time at 11:30 a.m.

The club began meeting at a little tearoom in League City, but the tearoom went out of business and was torn down. The meetings were then moved to South Shore Harbour Country Club, then to Leslie's, (Sundance II at Waterford Harbor). A few months later the club settled in at Petronella's restaurant for a short time.

The club continued to grow and after a year of moving from place to place, President Bonnie Norman and 1st VP Kathie Nenninger began searching for a more permanent place. They approached Steve Pratt, the owner of Esteban's Restaurant in League City. He graciously agreed to let CCRW meet at their Fiesta Shack. That was in 2001. The club had finally found a home with room to grow. And grow it did!

After twelve years at Esteban's it was decided that the time had come to once again find a larger meeting venue. Beginning in August, 2013, CCRW began meeting at the South Shore Harbour Resort and Conference Center. After a couple of months, moved to Sudie's Restaurant in October, 2013 and meet there until the end of the year. Again, needing more space, CCRW moved to its current location, La Brisa's Mexican Restaurant in League City in January, 2014. Lots of room to grow and good food!

Finding a large enough venue to accommodate our growing membership has been a challenging, but good, problem.

The goals of CCRW these past fifteen years has been to build membership by promoting an informed electorate through political education, increasing the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through active political participation, and working to change the political face of Galveston County, which is now solidly Republican. Several of our members are currently sitting on the Bench as Judges and Justices' of the Peace.

We are Women making a difference in our community, state and nation. We are making history. We have come a long way in the last fifteen years. It's hard to imagine what the next fifteen years will bring. Come, jump on board, join us as we journey through the next fifteen years. It can only get better!!

CLEAR CREEK REPUBLICAN WOMEN MINUTES FOR OFFICER INSTALLATION/CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON December 5, 2014

President Bonnie Wilson called the Clear Creek Republican Women (the "Club") meeting of the general membership to order at 12:00 Noon, Central Standard Time on December 5, 2014 at Tad Akers Event Facility in League City. Commissioner Ken Clark led the invocation and Judge-Elect Patricia Grady led the United States Pledge of Allegiance and, Judge-Elect Anne Darring led the Texas Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Wilson welcomed elected officials and candidates and asked them to introduce themselves to attendees. She then welcomed guests and new members.

Mrs. Wilson as outgoing President presented her board with a small token of her appreciation for the duties they performed over the two year period that she served as President.

Mrs. Wilson introduced Debbie Roan, our District Director as the speaker. Debbie discussed the role played by the Texas Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women. She encouraged members to visit the web site for "Women are More" which is an organization formed as an answer to the Democrat's war on women. This organization along with "Red State Women" educates people about the fact that women voters care about more than birth control and abortion issues. The web site gives women information on how to speak about issues that are important to other women.

After the brief talk Debbie Road conducted the swearing in ceremony for incoming officers.

Newly installed president, Loretta Roberts presented Mrs. Wilson a small token of appreciation from the club as the outgoing President.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Wilson stated that the Treasurer, Lesley Bruemmer was not present to give the Treasurer's Report, but would be filed for internal review.

Announcements:

The new President, Loretta Roberts, thanked Mrs. Wilson for her service as Club President for the past two years, and stated that the meeting for January would be held on the second Friday, January 9, 2015, due to New Year's Holiday.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm Central Standard Time.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxann Lewis, on behalf of Jean Sargent, Recording Secretary

MAY YOU AND YOUR FAMILY HAVE A VERY HAPPY, SAFE AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- 1 Galveston County newly elected officials swearing in ceremony. 10 a.m. Jury Room, Galveston County Justice Center, 59th Street
- 9 CCRW Monthly Meeting, La Brisa's Mexican Restaurant, 501 Wesley, League City. 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Guest Speaker: Hon. Kerry Neves, Judge, 10th Judical District Court. Reservations a must if you want lunch. \$15.00 Lunch. Contact Barbara Vollmer. reservations.ccrw@gmail.com or call 713-208-9527 by January 5th
- **Mid-County Republican Network**. Social, 6:30 p.m., Program, 7:00 p.m. For location and more information contact Karen Stephens at 409-771-3056
- 13 SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVES, Austin, Texas
- North County Republican Network 6:30 p.m. La Brisa's Restaurant, 501 Wesley Drive, League City (off I-45 Gulf Freeway North). Guest Speaker: Rafael Cruz, father of Sen. Ted Cruz.Contact Simon Urbanic at simonurbanic@comcast.net for more information.
- **Greater Houston Council of Federated Women,** 9:30 a.m., Welcome newly installed Republican Women Club presidents. Sosa Community Center, 1414 Wirth Road, Houston
- 20 Newly elected Texas Governor and Lt. Governor Oath of Office ceremony, Austin.
- 21 Galveston Republican Women.
- 28 Bay Area Republican Women's Meeting 11:00 am Social, 11:30 am Meeting, 12:00 Noon Speaker. Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston. \$16 price-fixed lunch available. RSVP a must if you want lunch. barw.rsvp@gmail.com
- **Friendswood Republican Women's Meeting** 11:00 a.m, Perry's Restaurant, Friendswood. Pay for your own lunch. Questions, please call Deborah Winters Chaney @ 281-224-7800. www.FriendswoodRW.org

JANUARY 1, 2015	INSTALLATION and OATH OF OFFICE CEREMONIES 10:00 a.m Installation of Galveston County Electied Officials Galveston County Justice Center, 59 th street, Galveston, Texas.
JANUARY 13, 2015	12:00 noon. Installation of newly elected House of Representatives in the Texas House Chamber Gallery at the Texas State Capitol, Austin, Texas
JANUARY 20, 2015	11:00 a.m. Oath of Office Ceremony of Governor Greg Abbott and Lt. Governor Dan Patrick. South Steps of Texas Capitol, Austin, Texas



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	Wember since	
Member of another RW Club?Yes No	If yes, name of club	
How did you hear about CCRW? Newspaper(name) Friend(name)	Website (name) Other	
I would like to help with the following (Please che AuditsAwards By-Laws CCRW DegislationNewsletter Community Ou Fundraising Website	DirectoryHistorianHospitality	
	nip application and check to: 1 Water Oak Drive, League City, Texas 77573	
Date PaidCheck#	Amt. Paid	

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YEAR 2014 IN PICTURES



Rep. Greg Bonnen & GCOP Chair Barbara Meeks



At GHC with TFRW President Jody Rushton(C)



2014 Primary Candidates



(L)Scott Pressler, Greg Abbott's Field Representative



Big Smiles at the LDD



Sping Flowers for Baywind



Precinct 1 and Precinct 2 Justice Of The Peace Debate

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AT THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION



Ready To Get Down To Business



Manning the TFRW Booth At GOP Convention



Tom Delay, Former Speaker of the House



Rafael Cruz & Congressman Randy Weber



Galveston County RW at GHC Workshop



Debbie Fancher (2nd from right) Spirit of Freedom Republican Women -9/5/14



Voter Registration at Dickinson High School



Presenting Books for Helen Hall Library



Newly Elected CCRW President, Loretta Roberts takes the Mic after "pinned" by SD11 District Director, Debbie Roan