



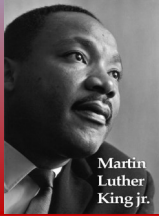
# Clear Creek Republican Women

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The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

By  
Martin  
Luther  
King, Jr.



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## CCRW Presidents Message

June 2017

Greetings,

What a busy time of year; Prom nights, graduations, planning vacations, pools are open, kids are out of school. Hurray for summer!

Other major happenings now are kick-off get togethers for candidates running for various offices. I would encourage you to attend as many of these functions as possible to get to know the candidates and understand what it is they stand for. Being an informed voter is the best way to ensure your county, city, and state are heading in the best direction. Besides, they are really fun!

Our last luncheon before the summer break is coming up on Friday June 2nd. In keeping with the 'Juneteenth' theme of this month, we are looking forward to hearing from Mary Smith, GCHC Recording Secretary, speaking about the **Black Cowboys on the Chisholm Trail**. This is sure to be a very interesting program about a forgotten time in Texas history. Remember, you can easily **RSVP** on our website, <http://www.clearcreekrw.org/>, under the 'Event' tab. Have a happy, safe, blessed summer!

Sincerely,

Lillian Murphy, CCRW President

## June Guest Speaker

Mary M. Smith Ed. D., Galveston County Historical Commission Recording Secretary

### "Black Cowboys on the Chisholm Trail"

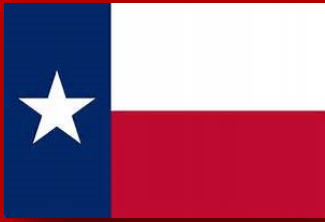
The origins of Texas City's 1867 Settlement began during the Civil War in a Confederate containment camp holding slaves as a workforce on Clear Creek. This presentation will discuss the relationship between George Washington Butler, pioneer settler of League City, and the slaves in the camp who became his employees and as such were known as the black cowboys and pioneers of the 1867 Settlement.

Dr. Mary M. Smith grew up in Texas City, Texas and graduated from Lincoln High School. Following her retirement in 2010, she returned home to Texas City, her roots, where she is proud to say that she grew up. She proudly proclaims that Texas City is a community with richness in its history, culture and diversity. She approaches each new day as an opportunity to give back to the community that has given so much to her.

Mary brings more than 30 years of executive and senior level management experience in the healthcare industry & higher education. A licensed registered nurse by profession. Her educational accomplishments include and bachelor of science in nursing, a master of science in nursing and a doctoral degree with a focus in higher education administration.

Mary is involved in raising awareness of African American history and culture in Galveston County Texas. She has served on numerous boards including national council of workforce education board of directors, in the capacity of vice president for legislation. She currently serves as secretary on the Galveston County Historical commission and as an advisor to the African American history preservation committee. And as such, she is diligently striving to preserve the history of the pioneer families of the 1867 settlement in Texas City, Texas and the black cowboys on the Chisholm trail. She currently serves on Texas City's Parks, Recreation and tourism board, and Texas City's Juneteenth Committee.

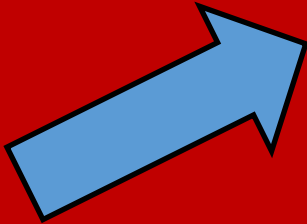




## Texas Legislative Update

By Kathie Nenninger CCRW Legislation Chairman

Kathie is on vacation with her husband celebrating their anniversary but she will have an update ready for the next newsletter.



*Free ice cream at the front entrance, help yourself as you leave!*

## CCRW Monthly Meeting, doors open at 11 AM

La Brisa on the Creek  
501 N Wesley Dr. League City, TX  
281-554-4000

**You can now make your reservations for June meeting online at**

<http://www.clearcreekrw.org/event/june-2017-meeting/>

Option #1: Fajita taco salad. Mixed greens topped with chicken fajita \$15.00

Option #2: Fettuccine Alfredo with Chicken and Broccoli \$15.00

Option #3: Chips, Salsa, Iced tea or soft drink \$5.00

Reservations are required please. If you are making reservations for someone else please provide their name(s) for our reservations list. We do not want to miss anyone.

[Contact Fay Picard 281-507-0928 or reservations.ccrw@gmail.com](mailto:reservations.ccrw@gmail.com)

Please select choice #1, #2, or #3 on your reservation by 9:30p.m. the Wednesday before the meeting. We are only able to order from 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 Wednesday before our meetings on Friday. You will be sent a bill for the amount of the reservation made and did not attend. Thank you for your understanding in this very important matter. We also want to thank all of you who continue to make reservations in a timely manner.



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Loretta Roberts

Social Media

Kristen Wilson

Chaplain

Mary Blackwell

Newsletter

Mary Blackwell



# Calendar of Events

**2017 SPRING MEETING CALENDAR**

June 2 CCRW General Meeting, Guest Speaker Dr. Mary M. Smith, "Black Cowboys on the Chisholm Trail"

Enjoy your summer and we will see you back in *September*.



**MEETING CALENDAR FOR AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN CLUBS**

Bay Area Republican Women — — — — — 4th Wednesday of the month - Bay Oaks Country Club

Friendswood Republican Women — — — — — 4th Thursday of the month - Friendswood Chamber

Galveston Republican Women — — — — — 3rd Wednesday of the month - Moody Gardens

**Chaplain's Message**

*Pain is a human discomfort most of us do not deal well with under any circumstance. You will likely reach for your Tylenol or Advil and then it is all better. Grief and sorrow also cause pain but a different kind of pain. Sorrow is inevitable. How do you cope with your grief or sorrow? God does not leave us alone to cope with our losses. He promises to relieve our weeping and replace it with his joy. God understands our pain. His son, Jesus was despised, rejected and suffered immense-*

*ly while dying on the cross. Yes, God felt great pain and sorrow because of his great love for us. The suffering is not wasted.*

*Scripture: Romans 12:15 If they are sad, share their sorrow. 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 He comforts us in all our trouble so that we can comfort others.*

*God will use us to be compassionate to comfort and give encouragement those who are in deep sorrow and grieving.*

Mary O. Blackwell

## June Birthdays

- 1 Jackie Peden
- 2 Janice Broussard
- 2 Martha Pierson
- 3 Mark Henry
- 9 David Garland
- 10 Cheryl Faircloth
- 10 Brenda Weber
- 15 Wayne Faircloth
- 17 Kari Long
- 18 Fay Picard
- 22 Barbara Nowlin
- 25 Larry Taylor
- 29 Kim Sullivan
- 30 J Joyce Zongrone



FYI to members, submit your personal announcements of births, weddings, get-wells, etc. to Kellie Gross at [baseballkellie@yahoo.com](mailto:baseballkellie@yahoo.com)

## *Caring for America*

The *Caring for American and Fundraising Committee* are working together this year to support a wonderful organization. We are collecting items for care packages to be sent out to the troops by the *Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc.* – Houston Chapter. Please see the list below of requested items which will be sent out along with your homemade Christmas Cards and letters just in time for Christmas. I thought club members would enjoy learning more about this organization. Please read below.

### **History of the Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc.**

On January 22, 1942 the *Flint News Advertiser* printed a coupon asking mothers of servicemen to return the coupon after filling it out. The following February 1st 300 mothers met in the Duran Hotel, in Flint Michigan. Captain George H. Maines, who had conceived the idea for this group, acted as the chair of this first meeting. It was decided that after receiving 1000 responses from the ad to form a permanent organization.

On February 6th the organization was reported on Congressional record. Chapters then formed in Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, New York, Pennsylvania, Oregon, California, Iowa and Washington.

In June of 1960 the organization was chartered by congress. Mothers volunteered throughout the tough times of World War II. They worked in hospitals, train stations, packed care packages for soldiers and were a working part of homeland security during times of war. The organization waned in size over the years but has held together by mothers showing pride in both their children and country. In recent times we have begun to grow in strength. Being attacked on our own soil has once again started mothers hanging flags in their windows at home, proclaiming pride in the fact that we have children protecting our freedom during time of war.

### **History of the Houston Area Chapter 2**

*Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc* is a nonprofit service organization supporting each other, our children and promoting patriotism in the greater Houston area. The organization is open to Mothers and Fathers who have or have had children serving in the United States Armed Forces. We have an associate membership for any family member or friend of a military person also. Everyone is welcome!

No matter what branch of the military your loved one serves in, we are here for you! The date of our very first meeting was September 21, 2004.

## *Literacy Project*

**Please bring as many books as possible to be given to this worthy cause.**

We will continue our tradition in support of the *Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy* by collecting books to be donated to local libraries, schools and shelters. We will be collecting books at our meetings in *May, June and September*. The books will be distributed to the selected entities at our meeting in November.



The Houston Area Chapter Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc.

## Care Package Suggestions

[www.bsmhoustonarea.org](http://www.bsmhoustonarea.org)

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### FOOD / SNACKS

\*SINGLE SERVING SIZE CANS WITH POP TOP LIDS

M&Ms  
 Hard candy (heat resistant) Lollipops  
 Licorice  
 Gum  
 Rice Krispie Treats  
 Beef Jerky  
 Slim Jims  
 Chex Mix Trail Mix Sunflower Seeds  
 Cookies, crackers, pretzels  
 Little Debbie Snack Cakes Microwave Pop-corn Granola Bars  
 Pop Tarts  
 Protein Bars, i.e. Cliffs  
 Dried Fruit  
 Nuts  
 Tuna Packets  
 Instant Oatmeal Cup-a-Soup Kraft Easy  
 Mac Canned Fruit\*  
 Canned Chili and Ravioli\* Canned Meals\*  
 Microwaveable Meals\*

### DRINKS

Mio drink additive  
 5 Hour Energy Drink Starbucks Via Crystal Lite  
 Tea Bags  
 Hot Chocolate Mix  
 Powdered Drink Mix - single serving size

### TOILETRIES

#### 12 OUNCE SIZE OR SMALLER

#### NO AEROSOL CANS

Baby/Wet Wipes Disposable Razors  
 Chapstick, Blistex, Vaseline  
 Toothpaste Toothbrush Dental Floss  
 Mouthwash Shampoo  
 Shaving Gel (Non-aerosol) Deodorant (Non-aerosol)  
 Eye Drops  
 Saline Solution for Contacts  
 Eye Drop  
 Saline Nasal Spray  
 Sunblock (Non-aerosol) Bug Spray  
 Lotion  
 Baby Powder  
 Foot Powder  
 Q-Tips  
 Nail Clippers  
 Tylenol

### GAMES / FUN ITEMS

#### TRAVEL SIZE ONLY

Board Games-checkers, chess, Scrabble, etc.  
 Card Games – Uno, Skip-Bo Dice Games – Farkle, LCR Playing Cards  
 Poker Chips  
 Puzzle Books – crossword, Sudoku, word search

Books  
 DVDs  
 Hackie Sacks  
 Yo Yo's  
 Mini Nerf Footballs  
 Xbox 360 / Playstation Games

### PRACTICAL ITEMS

Socks – thick boot (black, brown or green)  
 Gloves – black, brown or green  
 Hand/Toe Warmers  
 Clorox Wipes Twin Bed Sheets Pillowcases  
 Duct Tape  
 Zip Lock Baggies – gallon or quart size  
 Plastic Spoons  
 Fly Strips  
 Shoe Insole Cushions  
 Sunglasses (black and UV protection)

FOR FEMALES Feminine Hygiene Products Pony tail holders  
 Hair Clips

### SEASONAL

Candy – Valentines, Easter, Halloween, Christmas  
 Greeting Cards – all occasion (so heroes can send to their family and friends)

## *Publicity and Social Media*

Hopefully you have joined the buzz by joining CCRW on our [Facebook](#) page.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ClearCreekRepublicanWomenClub/>

If not, please feel free to request to be added to our group page. Please note that we only allow posts that are of the non-opinion nature and don't demean others. Further, this isn't a business networking group so please don't push out posts that are for your specific business unless it is of the candidate nature. We are happy to help promote, by posting on our FB page, your Republican local events.

Please share our Facebook page and events with your friends by sharing it to your personal profile and invite your friends to our monthly CCRW meetings.



# CCRW May Meeting, 2017

## CCRW Brag Board



Lillian Murphy CCRW President



Judge Patricia Grady



John D. Kinard and Doryn Glenn



Bill "Sarge" Sargent



Judge Mark Henry



Guest Speaker Doryn Glenn

**Clear Creek Republican Women**

**Minutes of a Meeting of the General Membership**

**May 5, 2017**

- Call to Order: President Lillian Murphy called the CCRW meeting to order at 11:58 am central standard time on May 5th 2017 at La Brisa Mexican Grill in League City Texas.
- The invocation was given by Mary Blackwell, the United States and Texas Pledge was lead by John Kinnard. Kari Long then recognized the Elected Officials present, Guests and Candidates.
- Approval of the Minutes: Lillian Murphy announced that the April minutes were published in the newsletter and asks for any corrections. None being offered the minutes were approved as published.
- Report of Officers: Crissy Crews gave the treasurers report of a beginning balance of \$14,342.55 and an ending balance of \$13,305.74. The Treasurers report will be filed for audit.
- Fundraiser Info: Roxann Lewis gave an introduction to the fall fundraiser called "Food For Thought" to be held in October. She also announced this year's Caring for America project which will donate to the Blue Star Mothers of America who send care packages to our troops serving abroad.
- New Website: Kristen Wilson introduced the Membership to our new and improved Website with details of how to make lunch reservations, submit your volunteer hours and see current and future information regarding CCRW.
- Guest Speaker: Paula Smith introduced Bill Sargent who gave a Legislative update and Featured Speaker Doryn Glen who spoke on the County's Records regarding Immigration and Naturalization at the turn of the Century.
- Announcement: It was announced that the new Directories are available and to please take one if you have not done so. The next meeting is June 2nd.
- Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:05pm central standard time.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula Smith, Substitute Recording Secretary



Clear Creek Republican Women PAC  
Galveston County, Texas  
2017 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Please mail membership application and check to:  
Cindy Reddy, CCRW PAC Treasurer, P.O. Box 2171, League City, Texas 77574

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