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## CCRW President's Message



Dear CCRW Members and Friends,

If you didn't attend our Food for Thought fundraiser, you missed a wonderful time. Great attendance, great food, great event! Many, many thanks to Fay Picard and Roxann Lewis for coordinating everything; Mary Blackwell for handling decorations with the added help of Mary Kennedy; everyone who was there early to set up and stayed late to tear down (including husbands!); all the chefs that prepared fabulous food; and, of course, all who attended to make this a very successful evening. We are planning to make this an annual event and are already hard at work preparing Food for Thought 2019!

Primary early voting will already be underway by the time you read this newsletter. It is so important that we keep Texas RED. One way to do that is to get out and vote for the Republican candidate of your choice. Then get behind and support the winning Republican. Every election; primary, runoff, or general, is vitally important. Once the primary is over, the next step is to attend your local precinct meetings and become a delegate to the Senate District Conventions. There you can run for delegate to the State Convention in Austin.

Commissioner Ken Clark will be going into further detail about the importance of attending precinct meetings as our "Lunch and Learn" speaker at the March 2nd meeting. Our main speaker will be Dr. Warren Chaney. His presentation is "Hollywood, Politics, the Oscars, and You". How fun is that! Get your RSVP in now. You surely will want to hear this! (Look for more information below in this newsletter).

Several board members and I attended the Texas Federation of Republican Women Leadership Day training in Austin, and the Greater Houston Council Nuts N Bolts training in Houston. We came away with our heads swimming with lots and lots of useful information and great ideas for 2018 that we will be sharing in the months ahead.

I hope you are all enjoying the warmer weather and occasional sunshine. Spring is just around the corner. Yea!

Sincerely,  
Lillian Murphy

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### March Speaker



CCRW is excited to have as their March 2nd speaker, author, filmmaker, artist, behavioral scientist, executive and early television pioneer, Dr. Warren Chaney. Just in time for Hollywood's annual Academy Awards on Sunday March 4th, Dr. Chaney will speak on *Hollywood, Politics, the Oscars and You*. He is best known for his films "America: A Call to Greatness" starring Charleston Heston, Mickey Rooney and Peter Graves and 'Behind the Mask' starring Roy Alan Wilson and our friend, Deborah Winters Chaney.

Among his many awards, he won an Emmy for the production opening of his 'Y2K-World in Crisis' miniseries. Come join us to hear firsthand the inside scoop about Hollywood's politics.



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**2018 CALENDAR**

- March 2 CCRW Monthly Meeting 11:30 am– 1:00pm at LaBrisa, League City. Speaker will be Dr. Warren Chaney and County Commissioner Ken Clark will be speaking about Precinct meeting after the election on March 6th.
- March 6 March Republican Primary-Go VOTE! Precinct Conventions right after polls close. Please plan to be a delegate to the REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.
- March 22 CCRW Board meeting-Judge Mark Henry’s conference room at 10:00 am
- April 1 EASTER SUNDAY
- April 6 CCRW Monthly Meeting 11:30am-1:00pm at LaBrisa, League City
- April 19 CCRW Board meeting-Judge Mark Henry’s conference room at 10:00 am
- May 4 CCRW Monthly Meeting 11:30am-1:00pm at LaBrisa, League City
- May 17 CCRW Board meeting-Judge Mark Henry’s conference room at 10:00 am

**MEETING CALENDAR FOR AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN CLUBS**

- Bay Area Republican Women—4th Wednesday of the month — Bay Oaks Country Club, Clear Lake
- Friendswood Republican Women— 4th Thursday of the month — Friendswood Chamber
- Galveston Republican Women—3rd Wednesday of the month — Fisherman’s Wharf, Galveston
- Tri County Republican Women—2nd Tuesday of the month—Golfcrest Country Club, Pearland
- San Jacinto Republican Women— 3rd Monday of the month—Peppers Restaurant, Pasadena
- West Pearland Republican Women—1st Thursday of the month—Spring Creek BBQ, Pearland

*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 Campaign Activities Hours for 2017**

**Hi, All! Please submit your volunteer hours!!!**

For information on what hours count: <http://www.clearcreekrw.org/become-a-member/campaign-activities-volunteer-hours/>

**Consider reporting your hours now, while you’re reading this. Simply click the link, <http://www.clearcreekrw.org/>, and complete a short form at the bottom of the page.**

**Thank you!**

Martha Fischer

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Next meeting will  
be  
March 2nd



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

**CCRW Monthly Meeting, join us at 11 AM**

**La Brisa on the Creek**

501 N Wesley Dr. League City, TX \* 281-554-4000

- #1 2 grilled Tilapia tacos in flour tortillas, shredded lettuce, sliced avocado with rice and beans
- #2 Taco salad
- #3 Soda, tea, chips and salsa

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](tel:281-507-0928) or

[Email her at reservations.ccrw@gmail.com](mailto:reservations.ccrw@gmail.com)

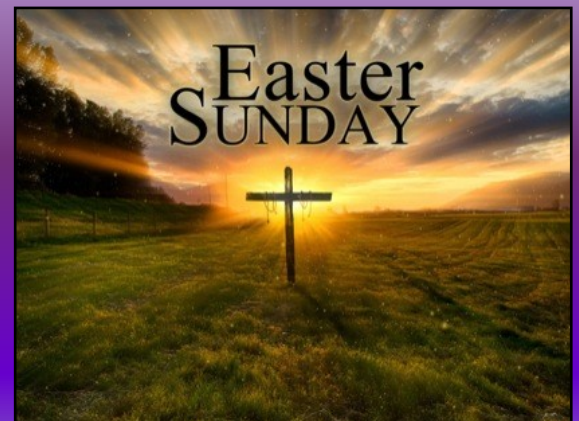
Please select choice #1, #2, or #3 on your reservation by 9:30p.m. The Tuesday before the meeting. We are only able to order from this menu. If you have a food allergy, please feel free to email me and I will try to accommodate you. Please note: cancellations are available up to 9:30 pm on the Tuesday 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.

**Chaplain's Message**

John 14:6 Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

Jesus was indeed the Messiah who was sent by the Father to die on the cross for our sins. He was the perfect Lamb and by the shedding of his blood on Calvary's cross we can have redemption in order to live more abundantly here on earth. God created us and only He knows what we need to live in peace while waiting to join Him in eternity. It is by faith and believing that God raised Jesus from the dead and confession of our sins that He gives us eternal life.

Mary O. Blackwell



## CCRW Legislative Report February

Here are the 11 Primary ballot propositions:

Keep in mind that this is an opinion poll of Republican voters and not a policy referendum. When you vote YES or NO, you are telling us what you think should happen. You are not voting to make a law but merely saying you agree or disagree with the statement.

1) **Texas should replace the property tax system with an appropriate consumption tax equivalent.**

2016 RPT Platform Priority #5 states that we should “replace the property tax system with an alternative other than the income tax.” The most equitable system of taxation is one based on consumption (Plank 175).

2) **No governmental entity should ever construct or fund construction of toll roads without voter approval.**

Voters would decide if toll roads should be built at all or if toll roads should receive taxpayer funds to be built. It could delay construction but also puts the decision directly into the hands of the people paying for

3) **Republicans in the Texas House should select their Speaker nominee by secret ballot in a binding caucus without Democrat influence.**

Before the legislative session begins, all the Texas House Republicans would hold a meeting, or caucus, and cast secret ballots to determine whom they should nominate for Speaker of the Texas House. Then at the beginning of the legislative session, all the Texas House Republicans would vote for that one nominee. As long as there is a Republican majority in the Texas House, this would ensure that Republicans, not Democrats, determine the Speaker of the Texas House.

4) **Texas should require employers to screen new hires through the free E-Verify system to protect jobs for legal workers.**

E-Verify is an online system that employers can use to confirm the legal status of new hires. It compares information from an employee’s Form I-9 (Employment Eligibility Verification) to data from Homeland Security and Social Security Administration. This could be an added regulatory burden but would also ensure that employers do not accidentally hire illegal alien.

5) **Texas families should be empowered to choose from public, private, charter, or homeschool options for their children’s education, using tax credits or exemptions without government constraints or intrusion.**

Instead of the parents’ tax dollars going directly to public schools, parents would be allowed to take their own tax money and use it for their children’s education in whatever setting they choose. It would not allow parents to use other people’s tax money for their own children.

6) **Texas should protect the privacy and safety of women and children in spaces such as bathrooms, locker rooms, and showers in all Texas schools and government buildings.**

Some schools have tried to allow boys to have access to girls’ private areas, including school showers and restrooms. This would address those concerns with a state protection for schools and government buildings. It would not add any requirements or regulations for private businesses.

7) **I believe abortion should be abolished in Texas.**

Approximately 150 babies are aborted each day in Texas. Various approaches to ending abortion have been proposed. This is a statement that we want abortion to stop.

8) **Vote fraud should be a felony in Texas to help ensure fair elections.**

In 2017, the Texas Legislature passed laws criminalizing election fraud as a Class A misdemeanor but increasing it to a felony for specific cases (for example, repeat offenders). This would make vote fraud an automatic felony offense.

9) **Texas demands that Congress completely repeal Obamacare.**

President Trump repealed the individual mandate for Obamacare in the tax reform bill; however, Obamacare as a system of socialized medicine still exists. This would remove it and return healthcare to the free market.

10) **To slow the growth of property taxes, yearly revenue increases should be capped at 4%, with increases in excess of 4% requiring voter approval.**

Property taxes have been rising rapidly, especially in Texas’ larger cities. Currently, property taxes cannot be raised more than 8% each year without voter approval. This would lower the cap to 4%. Local government could still increase property taxes, but voters would have to weigh in for them to require you to pay over 4% more each year.

11) **Tax dollars should not be used to fund the building of stadiums for professional or semi-professional sports teams.**

Currently, bonds have been used as a means for taxpayers to fund such stadiums. This would prohibit such use, requiring private donations to be used to build stadiums for professional or semi-professional sports teams. This does not affect school stadiums.

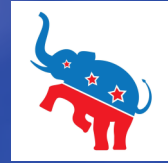
### Attend your Precinct Convention

This election cycle each Voter Precinct will conduct a Convention. Locations for Precinct Conventions will be posted at the polling locations. It will be held March 6<sup>th</sup> (Election Day) after the polls close. If you have never attended it’s very simple and fun to be involved on the most local level. Please reach out to me if you want more information.

*Paula Smith Legislature Committee Chairman*

# CCRW Food for Thought

February 2, 2018



What a fun and food filled event this was for everyone!  
The chefs had so much fun they are ready to do it again!

# CCRW

## Brag Board March 2018



CCRW attends Legislative Day in Austin, Feb 2018



February Mixer at  
Craft 96  
Feb 5, 2018



Greater Houston Council  
Of Federated Republican  
Women  
Nut N Bolts Training  
February 2018



You may click on the following link to complete your membership application on our website:

<http://www.clearcreekrw.org/become-a-member/>



**Clear Creek Republican Women PAC  
Galveston County, Texas  
2018 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 \_\_\_\_\_

I'll save the Club money and take an electronic directory: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date Paid _____	Check# _____	Cash _____	Amt. Paid _____
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Dues and Donations are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes  
Corporate Contributions Are Not Permitted



You may click on the following link to complete your membership application on our website:

<http://www.clearcreekrw.org/become-a-member/>

## CCRW Name Badge Order



Badge Size 3" x 2" white with magnet back • Color CCRW logo  
Your info printed Black --or--Blue

\$13 delivered to CCRW meeting • \$14.75 if mailed (*Includes sales tax*)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Line #2: \_\_\_\_\_

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