

CCRW Newsletter

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President's Message

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Membership

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By LORETTA ROBERTS President, Clear Creek Republican Women

Greetings everyone. I'm sure the upcoming elections are on all of our minds and hearts. The 2016 elections may seem a long way off, but with the days going swiftly by, important times will soon here. Texas has the second largest GOP National Convention delegation, with 155 delegates heading to Cleveland, Ohio for Convention July 18-21, 2016. I can't emphasize enough how important our March I Primary is. Each of us should have that date on our calendars and plan to attend our Precinct Convention. The delegate process starts here. We have new National Delegate Selection Rules so our involvement will be more important than ever in determining how Texas' 155 National Delegates are allocated among the various Presidential nominee candidates. See a separate article about this on page 5 in this Newsletter edition.

I'd like to also remind you that the 2015 Constitutional Election is November 3 with Early Voting from October 19th through October 30th. Texans will be voting on seven proposed amendments to the State Constitution as well as local propositions.

Another date to reserve on your calendars is **Friday**, **December 4** when CCRW will be holding a spectacular Christmas Luncheon and Fund Raiser at the South Shore Harbour Country Club to celebrate our 15th Birthday as a federated Republican Women's Club. You will definitely want to be there!

I wish the best to each of you and always enjoy seeing you at monthly meetings. **Come join us and work** with us in 2016.

October 2nd Guest Speaker



Len Waterworth, COL.(ret) USA

Executive Professor, Maritime Administration Special Assistant to the CEO, Leadership Development Senior Research Associate, Center for Texas Beaches and Shores Texas A&M University at Galveston

Coastal Surge Suppression System - "The Ike Dike"

Colonel Len Waterworth joined Texas A&M University at Galveston as an executive professor in the Department of Maritime Administration starting in the summer of 2014. Colonel Waterworth is also the special assistant to the CEO for leadership Development and a senior research associate in the Center for Texas Beaches and Shores. Colonel Waterworth holds a masters of strategic studies from US Army War College and a masters of engineering administration from George Washington University.

"Lunch N Learn" with State Senator Larry Taylor

"Dike Systems in The Netherlands"



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Membership Report

By Barbara J. Vollmer Membership Chairman

MEMBERS, WE ARE LOOK-**ING FOR YOU TO STOP BY** AND FILL OUT YOUR 2016 APPLI-CATION

LADIES and GENTLE-MEN JOIN NOW FOR 2016

Applications available from Barbara J. Vollmer and Lillian Murphy at sign in tables or from our Website www.clearcreekrw.org

CCRW WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Bertha Adams T. Phillip Washington Chrissy Crews Georgia Young Betty Henry Janet Hoffman Tina Kirbie Karlee Marcom George Marcom Martha Anne Pierson Jane Rigsby





CLEAR CREEK REPUBLICAN WOMEN

October 2, 2015

PLEASE PICK ONE OF THREE

I. Spicy Chipotle Chicken with Cilantro White Rice, Black Beans, Pico de Gallo, Flour Tortillas, Salsa, Chips, and Tea \$17.00 (\$15,00 cash)

Or

2. Enchilada Trio- I Beef, I Chicken, I Cheese topped with Chili Gravy and Cheese, Cilantro White Rice, Charro Beans, Chips, Salsa and Tea. \$17.00 (\$15.00 cash)

Or

3. 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 PICK 1, 2, or 3 RESERVATIONS by 9:30 pm Tuesday, September 29. 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

October

- 2: Paula Smith
- 4: Mary Blackwell
- 4: D. J. Alvarez
- 4: Grant Tugwell
- 12: Bill Sargent

- 16: Linda Cizek-Brown
- 22: Hon. Patricia Grady
- 23: Marshall Murphy
- 28: Diane
 - Kerkhove



Quote

The future ain't what it used to be.

Yogi Berra

Clear Creek Republican Women Minutes of a Meeting of the General Membership August 7th, 2015

<u>Call to Order:</u> President Loretta Roberts called the CCRW meeting to order at 11:50 am Daylight Savings time on September 11th 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 County Commissioner Ken Clark. Ms. Roberts then recognized the Elected Officials and Candidates present. She then welcomed the guests.

Business Meeting:

Nominating Committee Chairman Kathie Nenninger was introduced and reported the proposed slate of officers for Clear Creek Republican Women for 2016. They were Loretta Roberts, President; Lillian Murphy, VP Membership; Paula Smith, VP Programs; Mary Horn, Recording Secretary; Kelly Gross, Corresponding Secretary and Cindy Reddy, PAC Treasurer. Elections for next year's officers will be held at the October 2nd Meeting.

President Loretta Roberts reminded attendees that the minutes of the August 7th 2015 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 \$3,310.30.

New Business: Loretta announced the establishment of Delegates to the 2015 Texas Federation of Republican Convention in Lubbock Texas November 5-7 2015. The proposed Delegates are Fay Picard, Lillian Murphy, Kari Long, Mary Horn, Bonnie Wilson and Loretta Roberts. A motion was made by Paula Smith and seconded by Bertha Adams to adopt the Delegates to the State Convention and passed with none opposed.

Literacy Chairman Kari Long was then introduced to conduct our Constitution Day presentation. Baskets of books were nicely prepared and donated to Helen Hall Library, Harbour View Senior Care Center, Galveston County Resource and Crisis Center and Stewart Elementary. Representatives of each organization were present to accept the donations and were all gracious and appreciative to receive the book donations.

<u>Lunch and Learn</u>: Our lunch and learn speaker this month was Bill Sargent, Chief Deputy with the Galveston County Clerk's Office. He spoke to the group about various changes made to the election code during this year's Legislative session which included changes to Ballots by Mail and mobile voting locations. He also had material present for the upcoming Constitutional Amendment election.

Guest Speaker: President Loretta Roberts introduced this month's speaker Logan Churchwell who is the Communications Director for True the Vote. He spoke regarding how and why the organization was created, how they are affecting the integrity of our voting process and how we can all be involved in poll watching.

Respectfully Submitted,



PAULA SMITH, Recording Secretary

Chaplain's Message

By MARY O. BLACKWELL CCRW Chaplain

Who do you trust?

Your parents, your spouse, what about your financial manager? Well, all of us feel the need to trust someone in our lives. And yet no matter what person we fully trust there is the inevitable...we often are let down. We are hurt when they betray our trust. Don't be surprised, they are just human. We are all fickle humans. What's the point? Trust is the result of having faith and faith is about believing in something or someone. It sounds complicated right? Here is how it develops. By faith I believed that Jesus Christ died, was buried and on the third day he arose. I trusted Jesus as my Lord and Savior. Being saved means sin no longer has power over me. I trust in God's word.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

He will never let me down.

God Bless

Texas Women Veterans Roll Call Event

tary to civilian life.

Clear Creek Republi-

can Women have been

asked to work at the

Sign up for a 2-4 hour

shift at sign-in tables:

Thursday, November

19, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Friday, November 20

Sat., November 21,

8:00 - 12:00

12:00 - 2:00

2:00 - 5:00

8:00 - 12:00

12:00 - 5:00

sign-in tables.

CCRW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Texas Women Veterans Roll Call Event November 19-21, 2015 at Space Center Houston



SAVE THE DATE

A three-day event designed to help women veterans make the transition from mili-

Literacy Report

By KARI LONG

Literacy Chairman

At our September Meeting, CCRW celebrated Constitution Month and International Literacy Day. For those of you who were unable to attend, we distributed over 50 books to four community organizations within North Galveston County; including thirty "kid-friendly" Constitution Books. Those organizations are Stewart Elementary, Harbourview Care Center, The Resource and Crisis Center, and Helen Hall Library



Jenny Brewer (Helen Hall Library), Kari Long (Literacy Chairwoman), Dr. Britani Moses (Steart Elementary), and Andrea Parrot-Kennedy (Harbourview Care Center)

We also gave a shout out to those CCRW members who are a part of the "Leaders Make Readers" Program. Galveston Republican Women are sharing this volunteer activity with us.

Contact Bonnie Wilson to sign up for a shift or you may sign up at a CCRW Meeting silverbelles@comcast.net



THANK YOU CCRW for all of your help throughout this year to make our Literacy Event a success. We look for ward to doing it again next year!

Kari Long (Literacy Chairwoman), Kim Dimmett (Resource and Crisis Center), and Loretta Roberts (CCRW President)

Coming Events Calendar



Friday October 2

11:00 Clear Creek Republican Women LaBrisa Mexican Grille 501 Wesley Dr, League City Lunch N Learn Speaker Senator Larry Taylor Dike Systems in The Netherlands 12:30 Speaker COL (ret.) Len Waterworth "Ike Dike" Surge Suppression System Plans Texas A&M at Galveston, Dept of Maritime Administration

Monday October 19 First Day of Early Voting in Galveston County

Friday October 30 10:00 CCRW Executive Committee Meeting North Annex, Courthouse (Judge Henry's Conf. Room) Friday October 23 "CLAY FOR KIDS" Fund-Raiser for RESOLVE-IT

NOVEMBER

Th-Sat November 5-7 TFRW Biennial Convention Lubbock, TX

Friday November 13* 11:00 CCRW General Meeting LaBrisa Mexican Grille

Friday November 20 10:00 CCRW Executive Board Meeting North Annex-Courthouse

Friday December 4 11:00- 1:00 CCRW Luncheon & Fund-Raiser South Shore Harbour Country Club

*Second Friday due to TFRW Convention

December 4



CCRW Christmas Luncheon and Fundraiser South Shore Country Club

11:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M.

Featuring a Christmas Market and Live Auction with Auctioneer - State Senator Larry Taylor Special Guest Speaker

> Richard May Aerospace Engineer, National Speaker and Catholic Evangelist Radio Host

Celebrating Our 15th Year Club History and Installation of our 2016 Officers By State Representative Dr. Greg Bonnen

NEW NATIONAL DELEGATE SELECTION RULES

Texas is not a "winner take all" state on National Delegate selection. The delegates will be divided <u>pro-</u> <u>portionately among</u> those presidential candidates who receive at least 20% of the Primary vote either statewide or within each of the 36 Congressional Districts.

While the statewide vote is important, <u>70%</u> of the National Dele-

<u>gates (108) will be</u> <u>awarded based on</u> <u>those 36 Congres-</u> <u>sional District Pri-</u> <u>mary results.</u> You can help your candidates win one or more of the three delegate votes in your Congressional District. (108 divided by 36=3)

To become a delegate to any level of our Republican Convention, you MUST vote in the March 1, 2016 Primary. Then attend your precinct convention and ask to be a delegate for the county/senatorial district convention. Then ask to be a delegate to the state convention.

Only a small percentage of our TFRW ladies attend the state convention and we hope this will change this year. Other important things at the

state convention: Selection of State Chairman and Vice-Chairman Selection of National Committeeman and Committeewoman (Currently Dr. Robin Armstrong and Toni Ann Dashielle) Selection of an Elector from each Congressional District who will cast the Texas Electoral votes for President

Campaign Activities Report

By Kathie Nenninger

Chairman Campaign Activities

Wow!

Time flies by when you are busy with our Republican activities. All Members and Associate Members...it is time for you to report all of your volunteer hours for the third quarter that includes the months of July, August and September. Email your hours to Kathie Nenninger at



Ted Cruz, Candidate for President of the US with Fay Picard, CCRW Representative to the NFRW Convention held in September, 2015.



Janet Huckabee and Fay Picard at the NFRW Convention September, 2015

knenninger@verizon.net

Legislation Report, By Allison Putman, Legislation Chairman

Propositions on the November 2015 ballot. (LRCA stands for legislatively referred constitutional amendment)

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LRCA	Proposi- tion 1	Taxes	Changes the homestead exemption amount for school district property taxes from \$15,000 to \$25,000	Quote of the Day	
LRCA	Proposi- tion 2	Taxes	Exempts property from taxation for surviving spouses of totally disabled veterans	I'm not going to buy my kids an en- cyclopedia. Let them walk to school like I did. Yogi Berra	
LRCA	Proposi- tion 3	State Exec	Repeals the requirement that certain executive offi- cials reside in the state capital, Austin, while in office		
LRCA	Proposi- tion 4	Gambling	Allows professional sports team charitable founda- tions to conduct charitable raffles		
LRCA	Proposi- tion 5	Transporta- tion	Authorizes counties with 7,500 people or less to per- form private road construction and maintenance	2015 EARLY VOTING	
LRCA	Proposi- tion 6	Hunt & Fish	Provides for a right to hunt, fish and harvest wildlife	NEW GUIDELINES - EARLY VOTING BE- GINS OCTOBER 19,	
LRCA	Proposi- tion 7	Gov't Fi- nances	Allocates a portion of sales and use tax revenue to the state highway fund through 2032	8:00am – 5:00pm No Week-ends	

Galveston County Elected Officials



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

2016 Membership Application

Name	Spouse			
Mailing Address	Precinct #			
City	Zip			
Phone Numbers (H)	(Cell)			
Email				
Occupation	Birthday (Month/day)			
Full Member \$25.00 **				
	*Member since			
Associate Member \$15.00				
	If yes, name of club			
	Der(name) Website (name)			
	Other			
I would like to help with the following (Pleas				
AuditsAwards By-Laws	_ CCRW DirectoryHistorianHospitality			
LegislationNewsletter Commu	unity OutreachParliamentarianPublicity			
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 PaidCheck#CashAmt. Paid				
Dues and Donations are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes Corporate Contributions Are Not Permitted				