

Clear Creek Republican Women



"...the new stars on the horizon."

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February 2010 Newsletter

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Calendar

February 5th.

CCRW officer meeting 9:30a.m. at Estiban's Fiesta Shack

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Clear Creek Republican Women Meets the first Friday, at Esteban's Fiesta Shack. 518 League City, 11:30 a.m. Social/Lunch Meeting 12-1 p.m.

February 4,11,18,25th

Galveston Island Pachyderms meet weekly on Galveston Island at Gaidos, 3800 Seawall Blvd. 11:30 a.m.

February 17th.

Galveston Republican Women meets at Gaidos, 3800 Seawall Blvd., 11:30a.m.

February 18th.

Republican Network meets 6:30 p.m. at La Brisa's off 45 behind Sudies, League City

February 23rd.

Sandpipers Republican Women of Galveston Country Club 14228 Stewart Road

February 24th.

Bay Area RW Bailey's Grill, Seabrook 11:30 a.m.

February 25th.

Friendswood RW Perry's Grill Friendswood 11:15a.m.

February 26th.

Lincoln Day Dinner Lone Star Flight Museum, Galveston, TX

February 5th. 2010 meeting



Precinct 4 Commissioner Ken Clark will be the speaker at our February meeting.

February's CCRW meeting will be a very special occasion, as we will be celebrating our 10th Birthday!

That's right. CCRW is 10 years old this year! Whoopee! Hooray! Get out the hats, horns, and fireworks! So, what could be more fitting than to have our own County Commissioner, and one of CCRW's biggest supporters, Ken Clark, to speak to us on this great occasion. Past Presidents and the founders of our organization have been invited, and I hear that there will even be Birthday cake. Maybe, even a couple of surprises. So, come join us on February 5th at 11:30 am at Esteban's Fiesta Shack to celebrate the beginning of the Second Decade of Clear Creek Republican Women ... The New Stars On The Horizon!

Shirley Hendrickson, VP Programs

From the President

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Barbara Meeks
President

CCRW 2010 Officers

President	Barbara Meeks	281-236-3566
1st VP Membership	Sarah Von Dran	281-482-2990
2nd VP Programs	Shirley Hendrickson	832-221-0419
Recording Secretary	Penny Ignazio	281-334-4418
Corresponding Secretary	Benny Cheney	713-367-5951
Treasurer	Fran Gordon	281-280-0990

February Birthdays



1	Larry Tobin
2	Jimmy Fullen
18	Sally Prill
20	Joe Giusti
23	Diane Voll
25	Glenda Hink



Community Outreach

This year our outreach project will be Baywind Nursing Home. We are having a meeting with the director on February 3 at 2:00 p.m. in order to set the projects for the clients. Please join us in selecting activities that will enhance the lives of these persons. Remember some day we may be in the same place. It only requires, at the minimum, one hour a week.

Sarah Von Dran

Community Outreach

Treasurer's Report



The Treasurers Report:

Beginning Balance: \$3,849.43
Expenditures: (57.82)
Ending Balance: \$3,791.61

Roxann Lewis

Past Treasurer

Membership Memo

At the present time we have 22 paid associate members and 35 paid full members.

Remember that membership expired at the end of December, so unless you are included in those that have already paid, it is time to renew your membership. Membership in Clear Creek Republican Women as full members includes you as member in the Texas Federation of Republican Women. The cost to be a member is \$25.00 for full membership and \$15.00 for associate membership.

Membership dues are due by March 5 in order for your name to be in the 2010 directory.

Applications for membership are attached. They will also be available at the February 5th meeting. See you there and bring a friend.

Sarah Von Dran 1st Vice President
Membership

Clear Creek Republican Women

January 8th. 2010 Minutes

In the absence of Barbara Meeks, Sarah Von Dran V.P. of Membership called the Clear Creek Republican Women's meeting to order at 12 noon on January 8, 2010, at Esteban's Fiesta Shack in League City.

Bonnie Wilson led us in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Judge Lonnie Cox, and the Texas Pledge led by Mayor Toni Randall. Sarah introduced the 7 elected officials, the 6 candidates and 5 guests attending the meeting. Sarah introduced Shirley Hendrickson, V.P. of programs who introduced our guest speaker State Senator Roger Williams.

The business meeting resumed at 12:45 p.m.

- The minutes of the December 3, 2009 meeting that were published in the newsletter were approved with no corrections.

OFFICERS REPORTS

*V. P. Membership: Sarah Von Dran reported that we have 30 full memberships and 22 associate members.

*V. P. Programs Shirley Hendrickson announced that the February meeting will be held on February 5, 2010. Guest speaker to be announced.

- Roxann Lewis had no Treasurer's Report to give.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

•**Campaign Committee** – Rebecca Allcorn was absent the total number of hours ending in November 2009 was 4,812.5 hours.

•**Political Action** – Roxanne Lewis no report was given

•**Outreach** – Sarah Von Dran reported that our project for 2010 will be the Bay Winn Senior center. On Wednesday, February 3rd at 2 p.m. we will meet and volunteer to spend at least one hour at the senior center.

•**Newsletter** - Carole Alexander is doing a great job with the newsletter and the website.

NEW BUSINESS

Shirley Hendrickson introduced Cheryl Johnson who was present to swear in the volunteers who will help to register voters for the upcoming elections.

Announcements

•Carole Alexander invited everyone to attend the Rodeo Fashion Show on Friday, January 15, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Gilruth Center.

•Debbie Roan invited everyone to attend the Bay Area Republican Women's Lincoln Day Dinner at the Lakewood Yacht Club on

February 6, 2010, guest speaker will be Dana Perino, and the cost of the ticket is \$75.00.

- Roxann Lewis announced that the Republican Network will be celebrating their 10 th anniversary with a party on January 21, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at Las Brisa's Restaurant on I-45. Guest speaker will be Lt. Governor David Dewhurst. The price for the dinner will be \$15.00
- Gwen Newman thanked everyone for their support and prayers.
- Carole Alexander announced that she had sent out an email requesting everyone to help Scott Brown win Senator Ted Kennedy seat. The election will be held on January 19. The email is asking for us to help with phone calls to Massachusetts voters to help get him elected. This is a very important election. This will break the 60 votes needed in congress to pass the bill and it can help to win the health care bill.
- Penny Ignazio announced that on January 16, 2010 there will be a rally on the capital steps in Austin on nullification. I have arranged for a bus to leave League City at 9:30 that morning.
- Ken Clark announced that he will have a meet and greet Rick Green at 5:30 p.m., January 21, 2010 at Las Brisa's Restaurant on I-45.
- Roxanne Lewis has asked for volunteer to help make phone calls to all the people who have worked the elections.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

*Penny Ignazio,
Secretary*

News Editor Corner _____

Member News

Get well wishes and prayers:

Two CCRW members have had recent hip replacement surgery! Past President Tommye Randolph has been mobile for several weeks. Corresponding Secretary Benny Cheney is at home recuperating from her hip-replacement just one week ago. CCRW Chaplain Celia Mabry has been working full time for several weeks, since her knee replacement. Best wishes to all for full and speedy recovery!

Thank you.

I would like to thank everyone for their thoughtful cards, telephone calls and prayers, during my recent surgery. Your wishes certainly made me recover twice as fast. Thank you, Tommye Randolph

Upcoming Event

Galveston County Lincoln Dinner

The Galveston County GOP will hold their Annual Lincoln Dinner on Friday, February 26th, at the Lone Star Flight Museum in Galveston. Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott will deliver the keynote address, and many elected officials will be available to visit with attendees during a VIP reception prior to the dinner.

"We are returning to Galveston Island, to continue our support of the Flight Museum and local business in the wake of Hurricane Ike and a struggling economy" says LD chair, Barbara Meeks. "Our excellent committee chairs have been working diligently to produce a memorable event, along with a powerful grand finale!", added Meeks.

Reservations ARE required! Limited sponsor levels are available (FROM \$500 TO \$3000), as well as individual tickets (dinner only \$60; VIP reception and dinner \$125).

Contact Barbara with any questions at meeksbarbara@aol.com, 281-236-3566, or visit www.galvestoncountygop.com.

GCGOP Lincoln Dinner Silent Auction CCRW Basket

Tommye Randolph and Kathie Nenninger are putting together a "cook's basket" for the Galveston County Lincoln Dinner silent auction. Tommye has donated two cookbooks and two bottles of wine and Kathie is donating a blue GOP apron, along with a red corkscrew and a blue silicone spoon. If anyone would like to contribute a plastic book holder, red/blue measuring spoons, measuring cups, Texas pot holders, dish towels or something compatible, bring the items to the February meeting.

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Clear Creek Clean Up

The 11th Annual Creek clean Up is scheduled for Saturday, February 20th. Volunteers will gather at 8:30am at the League City Boat Ramp Park, located at FM 270 bridge over Clear Creek. Tee shirts will be given on a first-come, first-serve basis. Lunch, catered by Esteban's, will be served at noon.

"Community volunteers are the reason for the success of the Annual Creek Clean Up", says Rex Ward, founder and Chairman of the Board of Clear Creek Environmental Foundation, a non-profit, 501-c-3 organization. "Volunteers are working every weekend from now to February 20th to do the pre-cleaning, from Armand Bayou to the Kemah Channel. We meet at 8:30am at the FM 270 bridge and work until 2:30pm. Lunch will be provided", Ward added.

Last year CCEF was awarded the Gulf Coast Guardian Award by the EPA, for its volunteer

efforts to clean up after Hurricane Ike in Galveston and Harris counties.

For more information, call Rex Ward at 281-910-8774.

Happy Birthday George



February 22nd. marks the birthday of our first president George Washington.

On April 30, 1789, George Washington, standing on the balcony of Federal Hall on Wall Street in New York, took his oath of office as the first President of the United States. "As the first of every thing, in our situation will serve to establish a Precedent," he wrote James Madison, "it is devoutly wished on my part, that these precedents may be fixed on true principles."

George Washington Cake

3 eggs
2 cups granulated sugar
1 cup oil
2 cups self-rising flour
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup chopped walnuts
4 cups peeled, sliced apples

Icing

6 ounces softened cream cheese, room temperature
1/4 cup melted butter
2 cups confectioners sugar
1 tablespoon lemon juice

Beat eggs until thick and light. Combine sugar and oil at medium speed. Mix cinnamon with flour. Add to egg mixture. Add vanilla flavoring and walnuts. Mix all together. Distribute sliced apples evenly in bottom of long 2 or 3-quart baking dish. Spread mixture evenly over apples. Bake at 350 degrees F from 45 minutes to 1 hour. (Watch cake and do not overcook.)

Icing: Mix cream cheese until fluffy, add butter and mix. Add sugar, then lemon juice. Mix all together well. Spread over cool cake. Slice apples thin with peeling on. Dip in lemon juice. Arrange in rows on top of iced cake.

Clear Creek Republican Women PAC

Galveston County, Texas
2010 Membership Application

Name _____

Spouse _____

Occupation _____

Address _____

City _____ ZIP + 4 _____ Precinct _____

Telephone (H) _____ (W) _____

(C) _____ Email _____

Birthday month/day _____

___ **Full Member \$25.00**

___ **Associate Member \$15.00**

___ **Member of another Club?** ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, name of Club _____

Date Paid _____

Cash/Check # _____

I would like to help with the following committees:

___ Audit ___ Awards ___ By-Laws ___ Campaigns

___ CCRW Directory ___ Community Outreach ___ Historian

___ Hospitality ___ ICM Tree ___ Legislation ___ Newsletter

___ Publicity ___ Telephone ___ Ways & Means ___ Web

How did you learn about CCRW?

Prior political affiliations _____

Areas of interest _____

Please fill out and bring to a CCRW meeting at 11:30 a.m. on the first Friday of the month, August through May.



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