

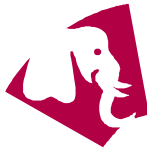
# Clear Creek Republican Women



## January 2005 Newsletter

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### From the President



We have been blessed with many gifts...what better gift could we have received than snow in Galveston County on Christmas Eve! And it only gets better! On January 1, 2005, THREE members and ONE associate Member of CCRW will be sworn in as elected officials at the Courthouse in Galveston.

Congratulations to Galveston County Tax Assessor/Collector, Cheryl Johnson; District Judge 56<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, Lonnie Cox; Constable Precinct 7, Pam Matranga, and Justice of the Peace, Precinct 8 Place 1, Kathleen McCumber. Please realize that CCRW is one of only a few "units" statewide with this distinction. 2005 rings in with the upcoming Legislative session in Austin. We look forward to working with our State Representative, Larry Taylor, and our State Senator, Mike Jackson, on some extremely important legislation. In April, we will be going to Austin for TFRW's Legislative Day. It will be a wonderful opportunity to see our representatives in action.

I want to thank everyone who has agreed to be on the 2005 CCRW board. There are still volunteer positions available, especially to help some of our chairmen. Don't hesitate to let me know how you would like to contribute your talents to this wonderful organization.

I invite you and your friends to our January 7, 2005 meeting, once again at Esteban's Fiesta Shack. Our speaker, Carol Starnes, has an incredible story about her personal "Gift of Life" as a liver transplant recipient. She will inform us about many issues concerning organ transplants and some surprising regulations in Galveston County.

CCRW will also be celebrating our 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Come hear about the hidden history of our name; I think that it will surprise you! See you on the First Friday!

*Kathie*

### January 7, 2005 Meeting

We are pleased to have Carol Starnes speak to us at our January meeting about organ donations and Texas LifeGift.

Established in 1987, Texas LifeGift is a not-for-profit organ procurement organization (OPO) dedicated to recovering organs and tissue for individuals needing transplants in 109 Texas counties in Southeast, North and West Texas.

Partnering with hospitals, LifeGift also continually seeks to develop effective, government-regulated donation systems to help increase the number of donated organs available for transplant. This is a very personal topic for Carol, as she is the recipient of a liver transplant. Carol will soon be celebrating her 6<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of her Gift of Life!

*Katie Benoit*

### Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendars!



**Saturday, January 1st** at 9am Swearing-In-Ceremony, Galveston County Courthouse, 722 Moody, Galveston. Watch Republicans take the Oath of Office in the Jury Room. Refreshments follow in the 56th District Court on the 6th Floor. Everyone is invited to attend!

**Friday, January 7** CCRW Board Meeting, Fiesta Shack 10:30a.m.

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**April 14, 2005** The Texas Federation of Republican Women will host a Legislative Day at the Austin Convention Center.

**November 11-13, 2005** The TFRW 25th Biennial Convention will be held in Corpus Christi.

Stay tuned for additional information!

# From The Treasury

Clear Creek Republican Women PAC



Checking Account	\$ 1,639.18
Petty Cash	310.75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,931.75</b>

*Darlene Anene*

## Membership Notes . . .

Clear Creek Republican Women is seeking a few good women to join our ranks! We had many new faces join us last year and it is never too early to recruit new members!

Also, if you have not yet renewed your membership, you may bring your dues to the January 7th meeting. The membership application is printed on page three for your convenience.

Full member \$20.00  
Associate Member \$10.00

— **Join CCRW Today** —

## CCRW Officers

President.....Kathie Nenninger  
VP Membership.....Teri Goodman  
VP Programs.....Katie Benoit  
Secretary.....Norma Byous  
PAC Treasurer.....Darlene Anene  
Corresponding Secretary.....Barbara Vollmer

## CCRW Committees

Awards.....Tommye Randolph  
By-Laws.....Catharin Lewis  
Campaigns.....Cindy Seidensticker  
Chaplin.....Shirley Hendrickson  
Community Outreach.....Tommye Randolph  
Historian.....Pam Kinser  
Hospitality.....Diane Gillette, Marge Jacobson  
Legislation.....Debbie Lindemann  
Newsletter.....Barbara Meeks  
Parliamentarian.....Constable Pam Matranga  
Publicity.....Berniece Linck  
Telephone.....Almeda Wallingford  
Ways and Means.....Tracy Oliver

## Special Committees

TFRW Legislative Day.....Patsy Yokum  
ICM Tree.....Phyllis Molnar  
Directory.....Shirley Hendrickson  
Book Reviews.....Kathy Rogers

# Campaigns

## Volunteer Hours Needed!



I know this is a busy time but I really do need you to answer these questions for me. I have been remiss in doing this but now I want to redeem myself and be a worthy Campaign Activities Chair! I will repay you by NOT singing at the next meeting. Believe me, this is a gift.

In my first correspondence with TFRW they informed me that I had not sent in the volunteer hours for the club.

Please send your volunteer hours ASAP!

*Cindy Seidensticker*

### Volunteer Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ TX Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Work Tel \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

Precinct Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Congressional District \_\_\_\_\_  
Senatorial District \_\_\_\_\_  
Legislative District \_\_\_\_\_



### Campaign Activities:

(Hours should be included in your volunteer form)

\_\_\_\_ Precinct Chair  
\_\_\_\_ State/County Party Official: Position \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Local/State/National Campaign Management School  
\_\_\_\_ School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Poll Watcher\*  
\_\_\_\_ Election Judge\*  
\_\_\_\_ Alternate Judge\*  
\_\_\_\_ Election Clerk\*  
\_\_\_\_ Election Official: Position \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Precinct Convention Participant  
\_\_\_\_ County/District Convention Delegate  
\_\_\_\_ State Convention Delegate  
\_\_\_\_ National Convention Delegate

### Election Activities:

\_\_\_\_ Phone Bank Chairman  
\_\_\_\_ Phone Bank Caller, Shift Chair  
\_\_\_\_ Volunteer Coordinator  
\_\_\_\_ Voter ID Phoning - Voter Registrar  
\_\_\_\_ GOTV Participant  
\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\* The positions marked by the asterisk are usually paid positions. Please do not report hours for a paid position unless the check was donated to a candidate, the county party, a local Federated Republican women's club or TFRW PAC.

*Book Review*



**The Proper Care and Feeding of Husbands**

Dr. Laura Schlessinger

Men and women are different. Obvious to many, but not to Time Magazine, which carried a cover story in July 1995 on the differences in the way men and women think<sup>1</sup>.

Unfortunately, the feminist battle cry has been that men and women are the same (as opposed to endowed with the same rights and responsibilities). Over time, this has led to the feminization and degradation of the male of our species.

Dr. Laura Schlessinger's book, The Proper Care and Feeding of Husbands, seeks to remedy the brainwashing that has taken place for a generation. To many, Dr. Laura's common sense advice might seem just that, common. In light of the media onslaught of negative male stereotypes (is there a TV dad who is not a loser?), Dr. Laura's words need to be read.

Her formula for successful relationships, happy families, and a better life is simple: mutual respect, recognition of differences, and the placement of value on male and female roles. To many, especially the last point signals the subjugation of women, which is not the point.

Dr. Laura demonstrates, through witty commentary and anecdotes from callers to her radio show, that men and women have separate, important roles in society. Without the protector, defender, breadwinner role of the male, the nurturing, caring, community-building role of the female is made more difficult.

She points out that men actually *do* have feelings that matter, they need to be told they are important, and that we should all be grateful for their positives, rather than calling out (and trying to change) the negatives. She also builds up the role of the family as the most important unit in society. It's not about individuals going through life on vaguely similar paths – the happier we make our families, the happier we will all be in the long run. This was a surprisingly informative book, was easy to read, and provided a lot of good food for thought. I highly recommend it.

Review by *Kathy Rogers*

<sup>1</sup> Gorman, Christine, How Gender May Bend Your Thinking, Time, July 17, 1995.

**Note . . .**

Minutes from the December meeting will be presented at the January 7th meeting.

Clear Creek Republican Women  
Galveston County, Texas  
2005 Membership Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ TX, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Hm Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Wk Tel \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Full Member \$20.00  
Associate Member \$10.00

Member of another club? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
If yes, which? \_\_\_\_\_

Date Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number/Cash \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to serve on the following committees:

- |                   |                         |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| _____ Telephone   | _____ Legislative       |
| _____ Publicity   | _____ Membership        |
| _____ Campaign    | _____ Fundraising       |
| _____ Budget      | _____ Awards            |
| _____ Hospitality | _____ Literacy          |
| _____ Audit       | _____ Ways and Means    |
| _____ By Laws     | _____ Community Service |

Name of member who told you about CCRW:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Prior Political Affiliations:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Areas of Interest:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:  
Teri Goodman, VP Membership  
2907 Sugarwood, League City, Texas 77573.  
or mail to  
Darlene Anene, Treasurer,  
2760 Willow Creek, League City, Texas 77573.

