

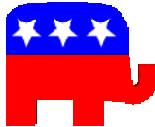
Clear Creek Republican Women



April 2006 Newsletter

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Cindy's Sidelines



Ladies, the primary was sluggish to say the least, and we **must** liven up the General Election in November.

Local candidates need our support and great things CAN happen IF we put our nose to the grind stone and get to work! This is not slave labor and should be a labor of love.

We know we are supporting the best people for the job, and now we need to show that to everyone in the county. We MUST continue to elect Republicans on the County level!

To the candidates who were not successful this time around, don't give up! This was a way to get your name known in the community. There will be other elections and you will be way ahead of the game. I hope you will use this as a learning tool and start planning for your next effort. There are some wonderful people in our club who would be happy to share their expertise. Please get in touch with them so you can start now to be a winner in your next race.

I am so proud of the ladies and gentlemen that worked so hard on this primary. You are a great example to others. Keep up the good work.

Come to the meetings and let's get to work!

Cindy Seidensticker, President

April 7th Program

Guest speaker for the April 7th CCRW meeting will be Dr. Robin Armstrong, a member of the State Republican Executive Committee.

The program will be about Party Rules and State Election Laws.



Dr. Armstrong has been active on the county and state level in the Republican Party for many years. He and his family live in League City. Dr. Armstrong is the President of the Galveston County Medical Society, a member of the Board of Directors for the Texas Medical Association Political Action Committee.

Robin is also a candidate for Vice Chairman of the Republican Party of Texas.

Diane Gillette, VP Programs

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Upcoming Events



- April 1: Bay Area Republican Women Lincoln Dinner**, Nassau Bay Hilton. Chris Baker speaker.
- April 3-7: Primary Run Off Election Early Voting.**
- April 6, 13, 20, 27: Galveston Island Pachyderms**, meets weekly at Gaidos, 3800 Seawall Blvd; 11:30am.
- April 7: Clear Creek Republican Women** meets at Esteban's Fiesta Shack, 11:30am social, meeting at 12 noon.
- April 11: Primary Run Off Election Day!**
- April 19: Galveston Republican Women** meets at Clary's on Teichman Road at 11:30am. Reservations 409-762-6722.
- April 20: Galveston County Republican Network** County Annex on Calder Road in League City. Social at 7pm, meeting at 7:30pm.
- April 25: Sandpiper Republican Women** meets at Galveston Country Club, 14228 Stewart Road at 11:45am.
- April 26: Bay Area Republican Women**, meets at Nassau Bay City Hall, 1800 NASA One, 10am.
- April 27: Friendswood Republican Women** meets at Perry's Grille, 614 South Friendswood Drive, 11am.
- April 27: CCRW Board Meeting**, 9am at the County Annex on Calder Road in League City.
- June 2-3: State Republican Party Convention** in San Antonio.
- November 7: GOP Wins Big in General Election!**

Treasury Report

Current Balances:	
PAC Treasury	\$ 2,009.20
Petty Cash	570.76
Total On Hand	\$ 2,579.96



Glenda Barnes

Membership Notes . . .

Please welcome new members, Marjorie Hoffman and Phyllis Sanborn. We also welcome three new associate members, Linda Coltharp, Hector Delgado and Mike Lee. Let's continue to grow the membership of CCRW. Please bring a friend on April 7th!

Teri Goodman

March 3rd Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 12 noon by President Cindy Seidensticker. Invocation was given by Shirley Hendrickson and the pledge to the American and Texas flags were led by Carole Ragland.



Announcements: today is the last day of early voting, Election Day is March 7th. Today is the 75th anniversary of the National Anthem. Glenda Barnes introduced elected officials and candidates and Cindy asked volunteers to help candidates. Donna Maloney introduced new members and announced 40

Full and 31 associate members. Guests were introduced and Cindy asked them to stay and have pictures taken after the meeting. Diane Gillette introduced speaker Dr. Warren H. Chaney, who gave a fascinating and humorous talk on Hollywood politics.

The meeting resumed. Ken Clark spoke on Precinct and County Conventions. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed in the CCRW newsletter. Treasurer's Report was in the newsletter and will stand for audit. Diane Gillette said April's speaker will be Robin Armstrong, on State election laws and Party rules. Bonnie Wilson read the list of candidates and asked them to stand and be recognized. Benny Cheney gave a report on the Ways and Means Committee.

A lively discussion was held regarding the purchase of bumper stickers that read, "Thinking Women Vote Republican." A motion by Shirley Hendrickson to purchase 1000 to achieve a greater price break, failed. Barbara Meeks reported on the Creek Cleanup and thanked CCRW members for helping. Becky Hagendorn won the raffle.

Ginia Wray Wright and Lillian Keeney are interested in having the 2009 TRFW Convention in Galveston County and asked us to participate, if the Greater Houston Council would participate. Business cards and flyers were given to Bonnie for the Republican Office.

The Tribute to Woman Award will be given at the State Republican Convention in San Antonio in June. Nominations must be made by April and we may have four nominations. Please start thinking of women to nominate and see Cindy Seidensticker for suggestions.

Anyone interesting in being appointed to a state office should apply online at www.governor.state.tx.us; Governor Perry makes over 3,000 appointments; some are paid, most are not. Debbie Guitian Roan announced that the Bay Area Republican Women Lincoln Day Dinner will be held on April 1 and the guest speaker is Chris Baker. Tickets are \$60. Cindy Seidensticker announced that Jeannie Plass is very ill, as is Bill Byous. President Seidensticker adjourned the meeting at 1:15pm.

Submitted by Shirley Hendrickson

Sincerest Condolences

We extend our deepest sympathies to our very dear CCRW Secretary, Norma Byous and her family, on the passing of her husband Bill.



State GOP Convention

The Republican Party of Texas will hold the 2006 State Convention in San Antonio June 2-3. Delegates will approve the State Party's Platform, Party Rules and elect State Chair, Vice Chair and officers. CCRW Associate Member Dr. Robin Armstrong is a candidate for Vice Chair.

April Birthdays

April 1	Bonnie Wilson
1	Jack Roady
6	Cathleen Dickes
15	Linda Mahanay
22	Katie Hake
22	Robin Armstrong
26	Kathy Rogers

If we missed your birthday, please let me know so we can update our records and mention your special day next month!

Barbara Meeks, Editor



Outreach

Do you want to help our troops? Do you have an old cell phone battery? If so, each one can be “recycled” into a 100 minute calling card to give to our servicemen and women overseas. Please bring them to our regular monthly meeting and give them to Barbara Meeks.



Campaign Headquarter News

Volunteers are always welcome at the Republican Campaign Headquarters, located one mile west of I-45 on Main Street in League City. Call Bonnie Wilson at 281-554-6890 to help!

From Our County Treasurer

By Kevin Walsh, CPA

A little over three years ago the citizens of Galveston County elected me Galveston County Treasurer. During my tenure, I negotiated a new three year bank contract; implemented an advanced check writing system; improved payroll processing, including direct deposit of checks; invested bond proceeds to help defray the high costs of construction; and have always under spent our approved budget. My office was over staffed, so I eliminated two of seven full time positions. At the same time, I made sure that the remaining employees were properly compensated for their hard work with less overtime waste.

You may ask, “What does the County Treasurer do?” The County Treasurer is the county's banker and chief custodian of County finance. We receive all monies that belong to the County; we keep and account for all monies in a designated depository; and make payments as directed by Commissioners Court, by law.

I am the chief liaison between the County and all depository banks. We maintain records of all deposits and withdrawals and reconcile all bank statements, to ensure accuracy and the safety of County funds. I am the County's investment officer and is required to submit regular reports on County finance to commissioner's court to inspect and verify.

The County Treasurer is elected at each general election in which the office of governor is to be filled for a full term, and must successfully complete at least 20 hours of continuing education in each 12-month period.

Today, the Galveston County Treasurer's office is stronger and more unified than ever before. Relationships among County officials have been mended; employees have returned to work; lawsuits over which I had control were either dismissed within six months, or rulings by the judges in favor of the County were handed down. Vendor payments are being timely processed and bank accounts are now properly utilized to maximize interest earnings.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you. I appreciate your faith, your support and your vote in 2002. I hope you will allow me to continue the good work my staff and I have done for Galveston County.

Campaigns

Please report volunteer hours to me each month! Count the hours you spend at Party Headquarters, block walking, election work, the County Convention and working phone banks. Call me at 281-535-0400 or e-mail d.l.maloney@netzero.net. Associate members not affiliated with another group may also report their hours.

Donna



CCRW Officers

President.....	Cindy Seidensticker, 281-332-6596
VP Membership.....	Teri Goodman, 281-334-5304
VP Programs.....	Diane Gillette, 713-893-4243
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PAC Treasurer.....	Glenda Barnes, 281-614-0112
Corresponding Secretary.....	Barbara Vollmer, 281-332-9398

CCRW Committees

Awards.....	Phyllis Molnar, 281-291-9655
By-Laws.....	Phyllis Molnar, 281-291-9655
	Debbie Lindemann, 281-218-9724
Campaigns.....	Bonnie Wilson, 281-332-8039
	Donna Maloney, 281-535-0400
Chaplin.....	Shirley Hendrickson, 281-316-6929
Community Outreach.....	Tommye Randolph, 281-316-9342
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	Shirley Hendrickson, 281-316-6929

Special Committees

ICM Tree.....	Phyllis Molnar, 281-291-9655
Directory.....	Carole Ragland, 281-332-3154
Gifts/Remembrances.....	Kathie Nenninger, 281-334-4418

Legislative Update

AUSTIN - Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst and Speaker Tom Craddick released the names of Senate and House of Representatives appointees to the Joint Select Committee on Windstorm Coverage. The committee, is charged with addressing what insurers and lawmakers say is a potential crisis for the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association.



The Joint Select Committee is composed of six senators appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and six House members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. **Sen. Mike Jackson (La Porte)** and Rep. John Smithee (Amarillo) will co-chair the Committee. Senate appointees include Sen. Robert Duncan (Lubbock), Sen. Troy Fraser (Horseshoe Bay), **Sen. Kyle Janek (Houston)**, Sen. Eddie Lucio, Jr. (Brownsville), and Sen. Royce West (Dallas).

House of Representatives appointees include Rep. Warren Chisum (Pampa), Rep. Joe Driver (Garland), Rep. Allan Ritter (Nederland), Rep. Gene Seaman (Corpus Christi) and **Rep. Larry Taylor (Friendswood)**.

WASHINGTON DC - U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, Chairman of the Immigration and Border Security subcommittee, made the following statement regarding his vote against final passage of a committee bill that included amnesty for millions of illegal immigrants:

“I voted against this committee bill because it rewards illegal immigrants and will be considered an amnesty by Americans. It will encourage further disrespect for our laws, and will undercut our efforts to shore up homeland security. There is a better way to address this national security concern, and several of those who voted for the committee bill—including the chairman—did so with reservations.”

“Adding border security measures to the McCain-Kennedy bill is not enough. But now that the full Senate debate is underway I’ll work for a comprehensive solution to our immigration situation, one with additional border security, interior enforcement, and employer accountability. And while we must address the 12 million illegal aliens already here, we have to do so without granting them amnesty.”

Kathie Nenninger



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“There are no great limits to growth because there are no limits of human intelligence, imagination and wonder.”

~ Ronald Reagan