

Clear Creek



FEBRUARY 2012 NEWSLETTER

CCRW meets the
1st Fri each month
Jan. - May
and Aug. - Nov.

11:30 A.M. at
ESTEBAN'S
Fiesta Shack
402 W Main St, League
City, TX 77573

Directions

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UPCOMING ELECTION



Are you confused by the upcoming election??

Do you know who the candidates are and what office they are running for??

Do you know what you can do to help get a conservative candidate elected??

You are not alone as so many of us are still in a state of wondering. Candidates are unsure if the office they are running for is in a legal area due to new district guidelines. At this time the Primary election is due to be held on April 3rd.

The one thing we do know for certain is that the General Election to remove Obama from

office is November 3rd. There were judges in San Antonio that fought against the redistricting plan, but today their plan was overturned stating that their plan was partial to the minorities.



**Sarah Von Dran
President**

Will that change the Primary date?

No one knows at this time.

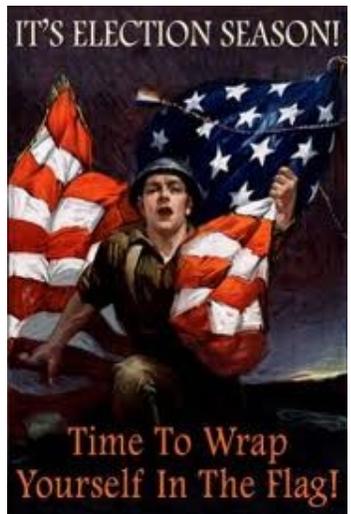
These changes, delays and unknowns have definitely presented problems for the candidates. They do not know if the positions they are campaigning for will be the final positions or will they be in another District. All of us will not agree with eve-

rything a candidate says but regardless we must stand together and support the candidates that wins the Primary.

Financial help, Meet and Greets where you can learn about where the candidates stands on issues. Volunteer to block walk for the candidates. stuffing envelopes , making calls or registering voters. There are many conservatives that are not registered that we need to bring into the fold.

Certification classes are available.

Let us **UNITE** and win in November.



CCRW 2012 Officers

Sarah Von Dran
-President

Michelle Slaughter
-1st VP of Membership
(If you haven't already,
now is the time to re-
new for 2012.)

Penny Ignazio
— 2nd VP of Programs

Rebecca Allcorn
– Recording Secretary

Natalie Roth
— Corresponding Sec

Lesley Bruemmer
– Treasurer

Tanya Kloesel
– Publicity

Bonnie Wilson
– Outreach

Benny Cheney
– Historian

Kathy Nenninger
– Legislation

Tanya Kloesel
– Campaign Activities

Cindy Seidensticker
– Hospitality

Alesha Vardeman
Aulds – Newsletter

CCRW Volunteer Hours

TOTAL FOR 2011 - 12,112

JAN 2012 Hours—1012

Please be sure to turn in your hours by
the 20th each month to Tanya Kloesel
completelystellar@yahoo.com

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The Lincoln Day Dinner will be on

Friday, March 9, 2012 at South Shore Harbor. More details later.

Membership Report

For 2012:

56 Full

41 Associate

New Members:

Full: Jean Sargent, Anna Leigh Sargent, Mary
Jean Sargent, Shirley Young

Associate: Becky Berger, Bill Sargent,
George Young, Ryan Sitton

**Year-end total for members
who signed and paid for/in 2011:**
106 Full
82 Associates

Treasurer Report

BALANCE

\$ 4305.59



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The Greater Houston Council of Federated Republican Women
Presents the Annual
NUTS "N" BOLTS® Seminar
Leadership Development Luncheon & Workshops
With A BONUS
Kay VanSant, NFRW Leadership Development Chairman
Tuesday, February 21, 2012
Sosa Community Center
1414 Wirt, Houston 77055 @ Westview, just north of I-10 West
\$25 per person
Registration starts at 8:30 AM
Meet-n-Greet Elected Officials & Candidates
Seven Club Leadership Workshops
Lunch
Don't miss this opportunity to learn, network, & "smooz"

For information & reservations, **Joan Buschor**
713-785-0076
or buschor@pdq.net

Elected Officials and Candidates, contact
Debbie Roan OR **Kaye Goolsby**
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281-218-7350 281-492-1181 / 713-254-3000

REGISTRATION FORM (Please Print)

NAME _____ Occupation _____

Address _____ Phone: _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____ Are you staying for lunch? (same price) Yes _____ No _____
(Additional attendees may be listed on back with all above info) (So we don't waste food)

Mail check payable to GHCFRW by February 10 to:

Joan Buschor
1920 Stoney Brook Dr
Houston, TX 77063

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- 2-5 Patti Woita
- 2-15 Chris Parrack
- 2-17 Dean Listiak
- 2-18 Sally Prill



- 2-20 Denise Beard
- 2-20 Joe Giusti
- 2-21 Gwendalyn Newman
- 2-21 Carrie Wall
- 2-23 Diane Voll
- 2-26 Joseph Spence
- 2-29 Melissa Dennard





Minutes ~ General Membership ~ Jan. 6, 2012

President Sarah Von Dran called the Clear Creek Republican Women's meeting to order at 11:58 a.m. on Friday, January 6, 2012 at Esteban's Fiesta Shack in League City.

Randy Weber led us in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge led by Garrett Nenner.

Sarah introduced the 18 elected officials, 27 candidates and 11 guests attending the meeting.

Sarah introduced Penny Ignazio, V.P. of programs who introduced our guest speaker League City Mayor, Tim Paulissen.

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

The minutes of the December 2, 2011 meeting published in the January 2012 newsletter were approved with no corrections.

Officers Reports

The following officers gave their reports:

V.P. Membership: Michelle Slaughter
V.P. Programs: Penny Ignazio
PAC Treasurer: Lesley Bruemmer

Committee Reports

The following committee members gave their reports:

Community Outreach: Bonnie Wilson
Hospitality: Cindy Seidensticker
Campaign Activities: Tanya Kloesel

Special Committee Reports

Directories: Cindy Seidensticker has copies of the 2011 membership directories. Let her know if there are errors to correct for the 2012 directories.

Announcements

Sarah announced the need for volunteers to work at the GOP office. There is plenty to do in the days leading up to the primary election and general election.

Simon Urbanic stated the Republican Network ended the year with 151 members. The next meeting is Thursday, January 19 at La Brisa in League City.

Geri Bentley announced a Saddle Up Texas Straw Poll event at Minute Maid Park January 12-14. Admission \$45.

Cheryl Johnson reminded everyone January 31 is last day to pay taxes without late fees.

Kathy Rogers announced FRW will host a candidate forum for State Representative District 24 on Jan 26.

Pam Matranga requested volunteers to help an elderly San Leon resident improve her living conditions. Contact Pam for more information.

Barbara Meeks announced Galveston County Lincoln Dinner to be held early March at the Doyle Center in Texas City.

Carol Alexander announced GRW will host a Candidate Forum at Jan 18 meeting. Costs: \$25

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00p.m.

Rebecca Allcorn, Secretary

Community Outreach Report ~ Caring for America

Just a reminder that we will continue our outreach to the Bay Area Turning Point in Webster.

Bay Area Turning Point offers a wide range of services for survivors of family violence, sexual assault and homelessness. All services are without cost and are accessible 24 hours a day.

They offer both residential services and non-residential services. No-residential services are provided to men, women and child survivors.

We want to start collecting all those small bottles of shampoo, conditioner, hand lotion and bars of soap that you collected on your travels.

Please bring to the February 3 meeting. These items are given to the women and children who stay at the shelter and are much appreciated.

Also, we will **continue collecting cell phones, iphones, smart phones, etc.** throughout the year to collect money for Bay Area Turning Point.

If you know of an organization or a family that we can reach out and help, please let me know.

Bonnie Wilson, Chairman

The **National Federation of Republican Women's Committee** for the **Caring for America** hopes that you will find this site full of inspiring and helpful information. It is our goal to encourage all our state clubs to reach out to their communities to make our nation the best that it can be!

<http://nfrwaringforamerica.org/>

Go to NFRW.org for more information on how to be involved with the National Federation of Republican Women



Texas Senate District 11



LARRY TAYLOR

Rep. Taylor is a lifelong Texan who was raised in Friendswood. He attended Baylor University where he received his BBA in 1982. Rep. Taylor and his wife Kerri, have three beautiful children: Trudy, Carly and Jake. He owns Truman Taylor Insurance Agency in Friendswood, an independent agency started by his father.

Currently, Rep. Taylor serves as the Chairman of the House Elections Committee, and member of the House Insurance Committee, and House Select Committee on Voter Identification and Voter Fraud. In addition, he serves as a member of the Energy Council, responsible for facilitating the development of national energy policy matters among the Southwestern states, as well as Co-Chairman of the Joint Windstorm Insurance Legislative Oversight Board. In 2011, Rep. Taylor was re-elected unanimously by his colleagues to serve a second term as Chairman of the House Republican Caucus.

Rep. Taylor was elected in 2002 by District 24 in Galveston County and is serving his fifth term in the Texas House of Representatives as a member of the 82nd Legislature. Rep. Taylor is currently a candidate for Texas State Senate District 11.



DAVID NORMAN

Dave Norman graduated from Clear Lake High School and attended SFA and Rice Universities earning a B.S in Biology and a Minor in Military Science.

Dave was commissioned as a Regular Army Officer, Aviation Branch in 1984 and served both Active Duty and Reserve Component until joining the retired Reserve in 2008.

Dave rose to the rank of Major.

Dave is the principal of Norman Insurance Agency started by his mother, Lilian Norman Kenney, in 1972.

He and his bride of 27 years, Bonnie, reside in Seabrook and have two children: Emily, a junior at Clear Falls High School, and Anne, a junior at the University of Texas at Austin.



DANIEL MCCOOL

Daniel graduated from Deer Park HS and joined the U.S. Army. For more than three years, Daniel worked in the S2/S3 Section (Intelligence, Operations and Training) of his unit. Coincidentally, Daniel and Texas' Republican National Committee Chairwoman Borah Van Dormolen worked side by side during several of those years.

After completing his active military duty, Daniel returned to Deer Park where he joined the Army Reserve. He was introduced to local politics and civic duty by the newspaper's publisher in the mid 1980's. Daniel eventually opened his own advertising agency and graphics studio in Pasadena. Daniel joined the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce and Deer Park Rotary and Chamber of Commerce. Wanting to continue to contribute to his community, Daniel joined the Harris County Sheriff's Office. Daniel has now served Harris County for 21 years at the Sheriff's Office. He has been honored numerous times with "Deputy of the Year" distinctions from various groups around the county and state.

Daniel also remains active in many leadership and volunteer roles within our community and currently serves in numerous roles.

