



CLEAR CREEK REPUBLICAN WOMEN SEPTEMBER 2011

**NEXT
MEETING
SEPT 2ND**

**CCRW meets
the 1st Friday of
the month
Jan. - May and
Aug. - Nov.**

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

**Directions
www.estebanscafe.com**

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The President's Address ~ NOW IS THE TIME!

Now is the time to get the (grand) children off to a new school year, now is the time we stop wearing white shoes after Labor Day, now is the time we hope we will have rain very soon and **NOW IS THE TIME** to get started campaigning for the local elections and the national election in 2012.



Sarah Von Dran

No, it is not too early to start getting all our ducks in a row so that we can get a change of administrations in Washington D. C. and to re elect all our local candidates. There is much to be done and there is something for all of us to do. You can make calls for the candidates, stuff

envelopes, block walk, attend fund raisers to show your support, perhaps some computer work. Maybe the candidate of your choice is not perfect in every way, let them know what you expect of them and what your ideas are. How can we expect them to know what we expect if we do not converse with them. If your candidate does not win the Primary election, get behind the winner and let them know they have your support. Let's not be negative about our candidates, (the Democrats do enough of that) be positive and up beat. Let's all work together

and get them re elected.

The Galveston County Republican Party Headquarters is currently open on Tuesday and Thursday. Call and put your name on the Volunteer list at 281-554-8888. Elsewhere in the newsletter there is a list of activities, mark them on your calendar and try to attend some of them and get to know the candidates. Campaigns are expensive so if you can contribute to them, I know they will greatly appreciate the funds.

So remember the three S's for the up coming election:

**STAND UP
SPEAK UP
SUPPORT**

NOW IS THE TIME

Membership Report

Treasurer Report

**88 Full Members
69 Associates Members**

Welcome new members:

Alesha Vardeman Aulds - Full
Dan Krieger - Associate
Wayne Mallia - Associate
Sherry Mallia - Associate

**Directories will be available for pick up at the
Sept. 2 monthly meeting. See Michelle Slaughter.**

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KEN CLARK
Galveston County
Commissioner
Precinct 4

Featured Speaker for September

Our featured speaker for September is Galveston County Commissioner Ken Clark, Precinct 4. Beginning with his experience as Community Liaison in Congressman Steven Stockman's office, his conservative ideals did not go unnoticed. In 1996 Ken was elected to the State Republican Executive Committee (SREC) Senate District 11 followed by his election to the office of County Commissioner in 1998 where he has served ever since. He was quickly named "The Hardest Working Commissioner in Galveston County".

This is an extremely important year politically in terms of population growth not only in Texas but particularly in North Galveston County. Commissioner Clark will discuss current redistricting from congressional, to state to Galveston County.

Ken his wife Sherry, and seven children have lived in Galveston County for the past 17 years. He is a true conservative who is fighting for lower taxes, smaller government, and increased protection for our families.

We are so fortunate to have Galveston County Commissioner Ken Clark "working for us".

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League City, Texas
77573

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Email the
Commissioner



<http://www.kenclark.org>



CCRW Volunteer Hours

August Hours—185

Total Volunteer Hours to Date—5979

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

September Birthdays

- 9 - 1 Nancy Pickavance
- 9 - 6 Malinda Garcia
- 9 - 7 Cheryl Johnson
- 9 - 9 Karlee Marcom
- 9 - 10 Berniece Linck
- 9 - 13 Deborah Guitan Roan
- 9 - 16 Mary Helen Slone
- 9 - 18 Almeda Wallingford
- 9 - 19 Gina Gentile



- 9 - 19 Faye Roberson
- 9 - 19 Jeremy Ducote
- 9 - 21 Nancy Hooper
- 9 - 22 Ruby Hildebrand
- 9 - 22 Loretta Roberts
- 9 - 30 Ruby Cubley

Minutes of Meeting from August 6, 2011

President Sarah Von Dran called the Clear Creek Republican Women's meeting to order at 12 noon on August 6, 2011 at Esteban's Fiesta Shack in League City.

Bonnie Wilson led in prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by County Judge Mark Henry and the Texas Pledge led by Penny Ignazio.

Sarah introduced the 12 elected officials, 10 candidates and 10 guests. Welcome everyone to Clear Creek Republican Women's meeting.

Sarah introduced Tommye Randolph, V.P. of programs who introduced our guest speaker Bill Sargent who spoke of the new laws and procedures of voting which will take place this November.

Business meeting resumed at 12:50 p.m. The minutes of the May 2011 meeting were approved with no corrections.

Officers & Committee Reports

Michelle Slaughter—V.P. Membership
Tommye Randolph—V.P. Programs
Natalie Roth—Corresponding Secretary
Penny Ignazio—Recording Secretary
Bonnie Wilson—Outreach program
Cindy Seidensticker—Hospitality
Tanya Kloesel—Volunteer Hours
Kathie Nenninger—Legislation - Local
Jeannie Kranz—Legislation - Washington

Announcements

Texas Federation of Republican Women will be holding their convention in Fort Worth in November, Sarah asked if anyone would like to attend.

Penny Ignazio, Cindy Seidensticker and Barbara Vollmer were appointed to the Nominating Committee. Anyone interested in applying for V.P. of Programs and Recording Secretary please let Penny know at bklypenny@aol.com before the next meeting.

December will be our annual Christmas Party and the officers for 2012 will be installed. More information coming soon.

Sarah asked for help to take over the newsletter. Alesha Aulds volunteered.

Simon Urbanic announced he had membership forms with him for Republican Network, which meets the third Thursday of the month at La Brisa at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Ignazio
Recording Secretary.



Community Outreach Report ~ Caring for America

We have the most wonderful, giving club members! It is so much fun to see people's reactions and faces when they see what all you have given. Lighthouse Ministries said the school supplies were a real blessing and the timing could not have been better. They were able to help send kids back to school prepared with adequate supplies and uniforms.

Even though it's only September, Christmas will be here before we know it. It's not too early to begin collecting items for Christmas packages to sent to our military men and women. Packages have to be mailed no later than December 3rd in order for them to get them by Christmas. Items needed include: baby wipes, Q-tips, travel size shampoo, shaving

cream, toothpaste, deodorant, powder, lotion, chap stick, freezer pops, playing cards, word puzzles, etc.

Also, remember those old cell phones, smart phones, etc. We are still collecting them.

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://nfrwcaringforamerica.org/>

Caring for America is a true demonstration of our commitment and love for our country. The energy, talent, and time devoted to uplifting our Nation by our acts of service is a reflection of our patriotism and devotion to our Constitution and Flag, and all it represents. Every club entry receives a "Certificate of Recognition," and awards are given.

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





Clear Creek Republican Women

**Women
Making
a
Difference!**



In Remembrance ~ 9/11/01

Mark your
calendars



Calendar of Events

August

30 **Texas Legislative Update** 5:30 pm social ~ 6 pm program Sundance Grill at Waterford Harbor Marina, Marina Ballroom, 800 Mariner Drive, Kemah. Speakers are Senator Mike Jackson and Representative Larry Taylor for more info contact Barbara Meeks at meeksbarbara@aol.com

September

- 1 **First Thursday** 7 am breakfast ~ 7:30 am program, Denny's I-45 and FM 646
Pachyderms meet every Thursday (1, 8, 15, 22 and 29) at Olympia Grill, Pier 21 Galveston
League City Rotary meets noon each Thursday (1, 8, 15, 22 and 29) Harbor Club, South Shore Harbor.
- 2 **Clear Creek Republican Women** 11:30 am at Esteban's Fiesta Shack on FM 518. For info contact Sarah Von Dran at bigbadoma@att.net
- 6 **Commissioners Court** 1 pm at the Moody Courthouse. Galveston redistricting vote.
League City Lions meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (6 and 20) at 12 noon, Red River Bar-B-Que on FM 518
- 8 **Act for American** 6 pm Mario's Pizza, Nasa Rd 1. Contact Tanya Kloesel completelystella@yahoo.com
Galveston County GOP executive committee meeting 7 pm Calder Road Annex. For more info contact Barbara Meeks at meeksbarbara@aol.com
Henry Trochesset for Sheriff campaign kick-off 5 to 8 pm. Willie G's restaurant 2100 Harborside Drive, Galveston. For more info visit website www.henrytforsheriff.com
- 10 **Texas City Music Fest** by the Bay - Carlos Garza Sports Park, 3300 Magnolia Ave. 12 noon till 10:30 pm
For tickets and info go to www.bythebayfest.com
Clear Lake Tea Party is hosting a Citizens Guide to the Constitution Class given by Rick Green. For more info contact info@clearlaketeaparty.com
Salute to Military Service Fundraiser. Noon till 3 pm at Jackie's Brickhouse on FM 2094, Kemah. For more info check Facebook or contact Barbara Meeks at meeksbarbara@aol.com
- 12 **Daniel McCool** for SD 11 6pm at ITZ pizza - more info on Facebook
- 15 **Michelle Slaughter** for Judge of the 405th court ~ Kick-off Campaign Reception 5 to 6:30 pm at LaBrisa
Location: I-45 and FM 518. For more info michelle@slaughterforjudge.com
Republican Network 6 pm social ~ 6:30 pm program Location: La Brisa I-45 and FM 518. For more info contact Paula Smith at skydiverpaula@comcast.net
- 17 **J.L. Campbell** for Sheriff ~ Campaign Kick-off from 4 pm to 7 pm at the Tiki Island Pavilion. For more info contact jcampbell1801@aol.com
Clear Lake Republican Women will hold their 2nd **Concealed Handgun Class** from 9am to 6pm at Esteban's Fiesta Shack, FM 518. Cost for class is \$100.00. Contact Sarah Von Dran at bigbadoma@att.net
- 21 **Bay Area Republican Women** 11 am ~ Bay Oaks Country Club info www.barw.org
Galveston Republican Women 11:30 am Fall Fashion Show and Luncheon ~ \$35 ~ Location: Hilton Galveston Island for more info Brenda Gutierrez at Bgutierrez314@comcast.net
- 22 **Friendswood Republican Women** 11:15 am ~ Perry's on FM 518. For more info contact Kathy Rogers at Krogers@classwide.com
Judge Lonnie Cox Re-election Campaign Kick-Off ~ 5:30 pm Location: KC Hall on Hwy 6 Santa Fe. For more info contact Judge Cox at judgecox@verizon.com
John Gay for CD-14 Campaign Kick-off Location: 5L30 pm at the American Legion Post in League City. For more info Contact John Gay at John@johngay.org
- 24 **Constable Pam Matranga** Re-election Campaign Spaghetti Dinner ~ 11 am to 2 pm at the VFW post on Hwy 3 in Dickinson. Contact Pam on Facebook
- 25 **Clear Lake Tea Party** Rally at Gulf Greyhound Park. **Herman Cain**, candidate for president will be guest speaker. For more info contact Bud Caldwell at budcltp@sbcglobal.net

October

1 **Santa Fe Chamber** Car & Bike show. For more info contact Fay Picard at santafetexaschamber.com



Clear Creek Republican Women

**Women
Making
a
Difference!**

Our Goal

The Clear Creek Republican Women (CCRW) is a volunteer women's organization and a member of the Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW).

For an application, go to www.clearcreekrw.org

TFRW makes it possible for women to influence how local, state, and federal government manages such critical issues as health, crime, education, taxes and financial security.

Our goals are those of the TFRW's which is education, training, participation in government, electing Republicans and encouraging Republican women to run for office. We are one of 164 Local Clubs across the state of Texas.

For more information about TFRW, go to www.tfrw.org



Texas Federation of Republican Women

The Most Powerful Women's Political Organization in Texas Today!

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Concealed Handgun Class

Clear Creek Republican Women Presents

Concealed Handgun Class

By Executive CHL Instructor Zach Hall

Saturday September 17, 2011

Cost \$100

CHL Class Schedule:

Classroom Instruction 8:30a.m.	Esteban's Fiesta Shack 402 W. Main Street, League City
Professional Target Instruction	Clear Creek Gun Range, \$9 fee
Lunch- Dutch treat	Esteban's Café and Cantina
Classroom Instruction	Esteban's Fiesta Shack
Conclusion by 6pm	

If you have the slightest interest in obtaining your CHL then this is THE class for you! Are you worried that you've never even held a handgun? Instructor Zach Hall gives an executive level presentation and will make sure that you pass every level.

This is the second CHL class presented by CCRW with Zach as the instructor, and the limited spaces will fill up quickly! After taking this class you will have two years to apply for your CH, and Zach will have the required forms.

If you have ANY questions, please contact:

Sarah Von Dran, CCRW President ~ 281-482-2990

Zach Hall, Certified CHL Instructor ~ 832-259-1413



Two ways to shield yourself from a violent attack.