

McLENNAN COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN NEWSLETTER

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DUES*

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP - \$20.00 per year - To be paid each year in Dec.

If you have not paid your dues for 2007, please do so. New members CAN JOIN at any time during the year and dues are paid at that time.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP - \$5.00 per year, per person – Pay anytime

We encourage you to give an associate membership, to your spouse, friends, employees and family members. WHY? All of the dues for associate members stay in our local club treasury. Nothing has to be sent to NFRW or to TFRW.

PERSPECTIVE MEMBERS

If you know of someone who would like to join the McLennan County Republican Women's Club, please bring them, as a guest to our luncheon. Their dues can be sent to Treasurer Nancy Swor, 3512 Greenleaf, Waco, 76710. Make all checks payable to McLennan County Republican Women's Club or MCRWC.

*** NOTE** - All Officers, Committee Chairs and members of TFRW board, MUST have their dues paid, on time or be in violation of NFRW & TFRW by-laws AND can be removed from office or chairmanship, in accordance to those by-laws.

NO CORPORATE CHECKS CAN BE ACCEPTED FOR DUE

LUNCH RESERVATIONS

Our next meeting will be lunch on TUESDAY, 23 July 2007 @ 11:30 A.M. @ RIDGEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB.

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE NO LATER THAN NOON, FRIDAY, 20 JULY 2007.

Anita Allen is our Hospitality Chair and all reservations will be made thru her. Anita prefers the reservations via e-mail to anitagallen@aol.com. Should you not have a computer, please call 772-8763, before Friday morning.

**Please pay for your lunch with a check.
Ridgewood will NO LONGER ACCEPT CASH for your meal.**

PROGRAM

Our program will be Dr. Charles "Doc" Anderson, member of the Texas House. He will give us an update on the past Legislative Session. Please come and hear what Doc has to tell us.

FYI

Have you ever been frustrated with something in the National news and need to let your voice be heard? We have an answer.

A friend, who has a Presidential Appointment job has sent me the "magic phone number", so you can let the White House and its resident know how you feel.

The White House Comment line is 202-456-1111; hours operated – M-F, 9 a.m. -5 pm EST.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

A full report will be given by our Community Service Chair, Linda Etheridge.

We served over 100 people at the Family Fun Day held at the Riverbend Water Park, on Lake Shore Drive in Waco. Those served were members and the families of members of the 15th Sustainment Brigade from Ft. Hood. Their Capt. Stephanie Harris and Sgt. Major Leona Howard accompanied the group.

This was the first time the families had been together, since their loved ones were deployed to Iraq in August 2006. Those in Iraq will not return back to Ft. Hood, until November 2007. Everyone was so thrilled to have an event for just for their group. Many asked "when can we do this again"?

Ladies how about having another event for this group, before school starts?

A VERY SPECIAL THANKS GOES TO EACH ONE OF OUR MEMBERS WHO WORKED DURING THIS EVENT, without them, the event could not have been possible.

A HUGE THANK YOU goes to Jim Swor for putting together the BBQ pit; we used to cook the hot dogs and sausage. Without the pit, there would have been NO HOT HOT DOGS!

MEMBERSHIP - *VERY* TEXAS WINE AND CHEESE SOCIAL

We had a large turnout for this membership event. I have heard we picked up several new members. Congratulations to Molly Smith and her daughter, Tolea Smith for the large number of people you invited and brought to the social.

The wine was good, the food delicious and the visiting with everyone was superb.

Thanks to Linda and John Hatchel for the use of their lovely home. There was room for everyone to be comfortable and still get to the dining room for the delicious food. To all who brought the food, thank you, thank you.

CONVENTION CALLS

The Official Call for the NFRW Biennial Convention, in Palm Springs, California, September 26-30, 2007, has been received. Delegates will be selected during our General meeting.

Ladies there is a day trip to the Ronald Reagan Library scheduled as one of the pre-convention events. Representative Mary Bono will be our hostess for this convention. Early Registration Cost is \$345.00

“A Campaign School will also be held in conjunction with this convention. It will be held on September 27 & 28, 2007. It is designed to provide a comprehensive overview of campaigns; the school is two days in length and features top-notch political professionals who have a wide range of expertise and experience.” **

Cost is \$175.00

** from THE REPUBLICAN WOMAN – Spring-Summer 2007 issue.

The Pre-call has been sent for the Biennial TFRW Convention to be held in El Paso, TX, November 9-11, 2007.

Each club is entitled to one voting delegate for each ten members in a club and one additional delegate shall be allowed for a remainder of six to nine members. The same number of alternates is allowed, per club.

To be a delegate, one's dues must be paid to TFRW no less than sixty (60) days prior to the convention

Our club will be eligible for several State Awards. Chairwomen DO NOT forget your deadlines.

CONGRATULATIONS

Nancy & Jim Swor will be married 50 wonderful years on Wednesday, 18 July 2007. Jim told me at the Water Park, “it sure does not seem that long ago”. Nancy held down the home front, while Jim served in the Air Force. They retired to McLennan County and how fortunate our group has been to have them as members.

Thanks to Sandie Anderson for introducing all of us to Nancy and Jim. Sandie and Nancy had worked together, when both were new to Waco, I believe. Nancy currently serves as Treasurer of our MCRW and we are grateful to her for taking on this huge job.

May there be many more than 50 anniversaries for this wonderful couple.

NEW MEMBERS

We have several new members, who will be introduced at our next meeting. Unfortunately, I do not have all of their information, to print at this time. I will have it for you next month.

IN SYMPATHY

Once again, keep the family of our member Bobbie Bills in your thoughts and prayers. After losing Bobbie's father, two months ago, a brother-in-law Rick Gustelom, drown, the evening of the 6th, during a marathon training run, around Barton Creek, in the Green Belt of Austin.

The memorial service was the following Friday evening, the 13th and several hundred people attended the service, which was held at the site, where Mr. Gustelom's body was found.

Mr. Gustelom was married to Bobbie's younger sister Wanda, at the time of her death in 1996. Their one daughter Andrea survives them.

MINUTES – GENERAL MEETING – Tuesday 26 June 2007

26 members in attendance

Ridgewood County Club

Welcome and Social

Invocation - Betty Marable

Pledges - Charissa Sloan

Call to order - Charissa Sloan

Time: Noon

Recognition of Elected Officials:

Judge Tom Gray, Tenth Court of Appeals

Judge Felipe Reyna, Tenth Court of Appeals

State Representative 'Doc' Anderson

Recognition of 2 new members

"Spotlight of a Member" - Robyn Howard

Program - Texas Federation of Republican Women

Speaker: Toni Anne Dashiell, TFRW 1st Vice-President Special Events

Treasurers Report - Nancy Swor

Event Announcements:

1) Wine & Cheese Party at Linda and John Hatchell's home in June. Time TBA

2) Reminder notice from Rachel Woods about the about July 2nd *Very Texas* Wine & Cheese Social

3) The club will send flowers to the funeral home on behalf of the Republican Women members.

4) The following members will be attending the State Convention in El Paso:

Carolyn Lomax

Helen Quiram

Bobbie Bills

(A total of 7 or 8 are eligible to attend)

5) Linda Ethridge update the members on the status of the July 10th Fun Day

MOTIONS:

1) Charissa brought a motion forward to allow \$350.00 to go towards expenses for Fun Day if it becomes necessary. Peggy Mallick 2nd the motion. Motion Carried.

Adjournment by Charissa Sloan - 1:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bradley

6/27/07

MINUTES – BOARD MEETING – Monday 9 July 2007

A) LOCATION & TIME: Uncle Dan's

B) Meeting began at 11:45 AM and adjourned at 12:45 PM

C) ATTENDING: (11)

President (and Chair) - Charissa Sloan

Vice-President - Robyn Howard

Secretary - Nancy Bradley

Treasurer & PAC Treasurer - Nancy Swor

Programs -

Research & Legislative - Peggy Mallick

Community Outreach -

Immediate Past President/Advisor - Barbara Kasmiroski

Committee Chairs - Tammy Hector

Linda Ethridge

Linda Hatchel

Anita Allen

Member - Mary Lloyd

D) AGENDA:

1) Charissa called the Meeting to Order at 11:45 am

2) Individual Committee Reports:

3) Entertainment Report - Linda Ethridge discussed final details of the event for Fun Day at the Waco Water Park for July 10, 2007.

4) Treasurer's Report - Nancy Swor, presented the Treasurer's

Charissa Sloan adjourned the meeting at 12:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bradley

7/9/07

FROM THE DESK OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE DOC ANDERSON

Doc will be our speaker and we will hear from him at our meeting.

FROM THE DESK OF STATE SENATOR KIP AVERITT

Nothing submitted

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If you wish to no longer receive the monthly newsletter or further communication from the McLennan County Republican Women's Club, please send notification to MCRWC 701 Arlington Drive Woodway, TX 76712-3201 or lomaxgop@yahoo.com

Thank you