



National Federation
of Republican Women
Engaging and Empowering Women Since 1938



January 2021 NEWSLETTER

RCRW Mission Statement

Promote an informed electorate through political education. Increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through active political participation. Facilitate cooperation among Republican women of Texas. Foster loyalty to the Republican Party and promote its ideals. Work for the election of the Republican Party nominees.

PRESIDENT: Tiffany Miller

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V.P. CAMPAIGNS: Toni Felts

V.P. LEGISLATION: Pamela Miley

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SECRETARY: Lea Carlson

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

HOSPITALITY: Pam Benedetto

SOCIAL: Jessica Metts

SCHOLARSHIP: Anna Campbell



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year! I know 2021 is going to be a great year because we will continue to build on what we already started and learned from 2020. Over these next two years, your new Executive Committee will continue to support our mission and grow our club. Many people this past year were made to feel ashamed to be Republican or fearful to express their Republican values. Moving forward we want to show Republicans of all ages that you are supported in your Republican values.

We are excited that young ladies between the ages of 13 and 17 years may now join our club as Young Affiliate Members. If you know of someone in this age group who may be interested, please contact Karen Myers. Our Scholarship Chair, Anna Campbell, and Social Chair, Jessica Metts, are working directly with local schools and other community organizations to seek membership and mentor our future leaders.

In addition to our monthly meetings and happy hours, we will continue hosting special events to support our community and help raise funds for our scholarships.

One of the new ways we will be supporting our community is by highlighting member-owned businesses at our regular monthly meetings. If you are interested in being recognized, please contact Jessica Metts.

I was very humbled and honored to be named a Tribute to Women honoree at the TFRW annual luncheon on November 14, 2020. Toni Felts was also named an honoree. Rockwall County Republican Women continue to be an active presence at the state level with TFRW.

Finally, we know some of you are still uncomfortable being in large groups; therefore, beginning this month our regular meetings will be hosted live and on Zoom. The zoom link will be e-mailed out to our members prior to the meeting.

I look forward to seeing each of you soon.

Tiffany L. Miller, RCRW President

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PROGRAMS



Our January General Meeting will be:

Date: January 11, 2021.

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: Rockwall Golf and Athletic Club, 2600 Champions Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087.

Guest Speaker: We will have representatives from the City of Rockwall's Planning and Zoning and Parks and Recreation Departments to discuss open spaces.

We will be seated in classroom style seating. Water, tea, and coffee will be provided, no food will be served and no food is allowed.

***Alma McClintock,
Vice President, Programs***

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT



I hope you are having a fantastic Christmas holiday with your family and friends. I want to take this time to introduce myself to you as your new RCRW Vice President of Membership for 2021 and 2022. I am honored to be a part of the RCRW organization and excited to be working alongside such great women whom I respect and greatly admire. I have been a Rockwall County resident for nearly 40 years. I am married to my high school sweetheart, Johnny Myers, who is a lifelong resident of Rockwall County. We live in Heath and will soon celebrate our 40th Anniversary together this coming March. We have two daughters, Chelsea Myers Poteet and Brianna Myers.

I am thrilled to be under the leadership of our President, Tiffany Miller who has done an amazing job over the last two years as our leader. Further, I would like to say a thank you to our outgoing Vice President of Membership, Deanna Tucker, who did a fantastic job with membership during her time on our board. 2020 was definitely a challenge, but we have had some great successes with our happy hours with a lot of new faces attending, which I hope to turn into new members. So, with that said, I would like you to start off the new year by challenging yourself to bring a guest to our general meetings in 2021 with the goal to double our membership by the end of the year. Wouldn't that be an awesome achievement! If your spouse is not currently a member, I encourage you to sign them up as an Associate Member. The cost is

only \$40 for associate membership, and all proceeds from associate memberships remain here in Rockwall County.

You may go to our website www.rcrw.org for an application. If you are unable to attend our January meeting you may mail your application with your dues payment to: Rockwall County Republican Women, P.O. Box 1354, Rockwall, Texas 75087.

May your New Year be blessed and filled with success, joy and most importantly, good health! If you need any assistance or just have a question, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. I am happy to be of service.

Best Regards,

Karen Myers, Vice President of Membership

TREASURER'S REPORT



As of December 31, 2020:

Balance forward	\$ 19,989.63
Income	\$ 2,510.00
Expenses	\$ 2,350.00
Grand Total	\$ 20,149.63
Scholarship	\$ 797.64
Working total	\$ 19,351.99

Frances White, Treasurer

LEGISLATION



This will be my first year as Vice President of Legislation and I will be stepping in to replace Ann Hettinger who has done a phenomenal job over the years. There is really no replacing Ann as she is simply amazing, so please bear with me as we all learn together to keep up with the bills and legislation that will be submitted this year.

The 87th Texas Legislative Session convenes on January 12, 2021, and is scheduled to end on May 31st. Friday, March 12, 2021, is the deadline for the unrestricted filing of bills and joint resolutions other than local bills, emergency appropriations, and emergency matters submitted by the governor.

It is our responsibility as Republican women to influence policy and future laws, help develop candidates, and elect the right leaders. We are so fortunate to live in Rockwall County and to have the freedom to demonstrate our conservative beliefs without fear of reprisal from our

neighbors or other members of the community. All cities and towns throughout our country do not necessarily enable its residents to feel safe and comfortable to express their opinions and ideology. Be grateful for our open minds and open hearts. We all hope and pray for 2021 to bring healing to our nation and strength to our state and to our leaders.

God Bless Texas and the Year 2021.

Pamela Miley, Vice President of Legislation

CAMPAIGNS



Many of our RCRW members worked tirelessly for our candidates in 2020. As we look to 2021 remember how important local elections are to our county and beyond. On May 1, 2021, the cities of Rockwall, Heath, Fate, Royse City and McLendon Chisolm will hold elections for Mayor, and/or City Council Members, as well as an ISD election for School Board Members. More details will be provided following the filing deadline in February.

I would also like to say Thank You for all the campaign hours you have reported over the last year. We are now reporting our last quarter for 2020. If you have unreported hours ANYTIME over the last year, please send them to labandxray@gmail.com or contact me at 817-614-7361 with questions. We reported a whopping 2966 hours for Q3 and I know we can do it again for Q4. The deadline is January 15th, so please get your time to me as soon as possible. Every hour counts!

Blessings,

Toni Felts, Vice President, Campaigns

SOCIAL TIME



It is with great pleasure to introduce myself, Jessica Metts, as your 2021 and 2022 RCRW Social Chair. I have been an active volunteer with Women in Need, CASA, Rotary, and Rockwall Women's League. I own a small business, Rockwall Lymphatics, and have lived in Rockwall for 8 years. I have served on many community non-profit boards over the years and each time it allows me to give back even more to the organization I believe so strongly in. I have 6 year - old identical twin girls, a senior daughter, 3 stepsons, a dog Max, and a husband.

The next 12 months are going to be filled with lots of opportunities to fellowship with like-minded women in our community. I am excited to get to know more of you ladies and work alongside you as we continue to support the Republican Party.

I would like to give a warm thank you to our members Sandra and Mitch Ownby, co-owners of Rockwall EMS, for sponsoring the January meeting. If you would like to sponsor a meeting in the future, please contact me at clancyindallas@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Events:

Our January Happy Hour: January 19, 2021, 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., at The Alumni Sports Bar and Grill, 146 E. Main Street, Royse City, Texas 75189.

Our February Happy Hour: February 16, 2021, 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., at Primo's Tex-Mex Grille, 4861 Bass Pro, Garland, Texas 75043.

February Wine and Chocolate Tasting to benefit the RCRW Scholarship Fund – More details coming soon!

Jessica Metts, Social Chair

CONGRATULATIONS



To our very own member and PAC Treasurer, Jennifer Fogg, for being sworn in as our new Rockwall County Clerk. We are so very proud of you and your commitment to serve Rockwall County!



In what is called the "Year of the Republican Woman," Republican women set records in 2020 as candidates and in the general elections. Cynthia Lummis is the first woman elected to the U.S. Senate from Wyoming. In the U.S. House, a historic 18 non-incumbent Republican women are elected, including nine who beat Democrat incumbents, and every incumbent Republican woman is reelected. Young Kim and Michelle Steel of California are the first Korean-American women elected to Congress, while Stephanie Bice of Oklahoma is the first Iranian-American and Yvette Herrell of New Mexico is the first Cherokee woman. During the 117th Congress, a record 29 Republican women will serve in the U.S. House (31 if the two

non-voting Republican women delegates from American Samoa and Puerto Rico are included), and a record total of 37 Republican women will serve in both chambers.

Author – NFRW Communications, November 2020



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Happy New Year! I think more than ever before, there was a giant sigh of relief when the clock struck midnight and 2020 was officially “last year.” I don’t dispute that 2020 was an unusually crazy year or that we have all been looking forward to a fresh start, but really there was a great deal to be thankful for. From Middle East peace agreements and American dominance through the Space Force program to the appointment of Justice Amy Coney Barrett and Republican victories up and down the Texas ballot, 2020 delivered many things for which we should be grateful.

As I reflect upon the past year, I want to thank you, our members. Through all of the challenges thrown at us, you never lost focus or forgot our mission. In fact, if anything I think you were more tenacious and determined to meet those challenges head-on and overcome them. You were patient when contracts were canceled, and events had to be rescheduled. We all pivoted and learned new skills together, and through it all, you showed kindness to our staff and volunteers. You stepped up, worked together and demonstrated what TFRW was capable of.

My anticipation continues to build as I look toward the possibilities of the New Year. We have a goal of 11,000 members by June (convention cutoff date) and I truly believe that this is attainable. We had 3,500 new members in 2020. That means that if all of our 2019 members had renewed, we would have had 14,000 members in 2020 instead of 10,000. The women are there. We just need to invite them, remind them, and let them know how vital they are!

This is going to be an exciting year! Chairwoman Mary Heffernan has assembled an amazing TFRW Convention team, so plan now to attend October 13-16 at the Kalahari Resort in Round Rock. The NFRW Convention will be September 23-26 in Orlando and I’m hoping we will bring home an award or two... or five. We are Texas, after all. ☺

Thank you again for the honor of serving you. We are empowered women empowering others, and together we will continue to make Texas the leader of principled, conservative governance.

*2020 was not the year that we got everything we wanted.
It was the year we learned to appreciate everything we have.*

For Texas and The Country!

Glynis Chester

President, Texas Federation of Republican Women

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Click here for tickets: <http://bidpal.net/repgatsbygala>

For more information, please contact rdgala2021@gmail.com
or call Sharon Henson 214-674-5374.

CALENDAR

Please see our website for updated holiday events

Republican Events:

January 6, 2021 - GOP Lunch Bunch: 11:45 A.M., at Luigi's Italian Cafe, 2002 S. Goliad Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087 cost is \$12.00.

January 9, 2021 - Republican Men's Club Meeting: 8:00 A.M., at The Center, 108 E. Washington Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087, for more information go to <https://www.facebook.com/rockwallgopmen>.

January 11, 2021 – RCRW General Meeting: 6:30 P.M., at Rockwall Golf and Athletic Club, 2600 Champions Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, the guest speakers will be representatives from

the City of Rockwall's Planning and Zoning and Parks and Recreation Department to discuss our open spaces.

January 13, 2021 – Rockwall County Republican Hispanic Club Meeting: 6:30 P.M. at Harry Myers Community Center, 815 E. Washington Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087, the guest speaker is Tina Aviles.

January 19, 2021 – RCRW Happy Hour: 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., at The Alumni Sports Bar and Grill, 146 E. Main Street, Royse City, Texas 75189.

January 28, 2021 – Rockwall County Young Republicans Social Event: 7:00 P.M. at Hemisphere Brewing Company, 2015 Kristy Lane, Rockwall, Texas 75032 ·

February 3, 2021 - GOP Lunch Bunch: 11:45 A.M., at Luigi's Italian Cafe, 2002 S. Goliad Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087 cost is \$12.00.

February 3 – 5, 2021 – TFRW Legislative Day, at the Sheraton Austin Georgetown Hotel and Conference Center, 1101 Woodlawn Avenue, Georgetown, Texas 78628, for more information go to <https://www.tfrw.org>.

February 8, 2021 – RCRW General Meeting: 6:30 P.M., at Rockwall Golf and Athletic Club, 2600 Champions Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, the guest speaker is Dr. Nicholas Cooper MacPherson, M.D.

February 10, 2021 – Rockwall County Republican Hispanic Club Meeting: 6:30 P.M. at Harry Myers Community Center, 815 E. Washington Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087

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February 27, 2021 – Rockwall GOP Reagan Day/Great Gatsby Gala: 4:00 P.M., VIP activities begin, 5:30 P.M. registration, at Hilton Dallas/Rockwall Lakefront, 2055 Summer Lee Drive, Rockwall, TX 75032, for more information go to <http://bidpal.net/repgatsbygala>.

Community Events: - Please see each website below for updated information.

January 23, 2021 – Daddy Daughter Dance: there are two times, 5:00 P.M. until 6:30 P.M. and 7:30 P.M. until 9:00 P.M., at the Hilton Dallas/Rockwall Lakefront, 2055 Summer Lee Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, tickets may be purchased at the Center.

January 27, 2021 – 5th Annual Rummage Sale, Hosted by Rockwall Art League: 5:00 P.M. at Harry Myers Community Center, 815 E. Washington Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087.

January 30, 2021 – Empower 7’s Inaugural Fundraiser and Auction: 5:30 P.M. until 11:00 P.M., at Summerfield at Tate Farms, 12992 S. FM 548, Rockwall, Texas 75032, for tickets go to <https://empower7.org/deepintheheart>.

February 13, 2021 – Virtual Chocolate Indulgence benefiting Women In Need: 6:00 P.M. until Midnight, for more information go to <https://wintexas.org>.

Our Government Meetings:

Rockwall City Council – Meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M.

Heath City Council – Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M.

McClendon-Chisholm City Council – Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30 P.M.

Fate City Council - Meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M.

Royse City City Council – Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M.

Rockwall Commissioners Court – Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 9:00 A.M.

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