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TFRW Region #5

Senate District #2































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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.

FROM THE PRESIDENT



September brings pumpkin spice, football, and festivals. September is also when campaign season is in full force. Early voting will start soon, and election day is less than 60 days away. We have much to do to get ready for the election. It is easy to become complacent and take for granted that we live in Rockwall County, a county that is still overwhelming Republican. However, we must remember that is an honor and privilege to be engaged in the election process.

Unfortunately, each election is more important than the last election. We must act now, and I encourage you to find ways to get more involved and help out Republican candidates. Whether you

are making phone calls, filling out post cards, putting up yard signs, block walking, or helping at the polls, our Republican candidates really need your help.

I hope you will join your fellow RCRW members to keep not only Texas, but Rockwall, RED!

God Bless,

Tiffany L. Miller, RCRW President 972-977-3321 president@rcrw.org

PROGRAMS



We are so honored to have Judge Faith Johnson from Dallas County as our Guest Speaker

Faith Johnson served the citizens of Dallas County as District Attorney from January 1, 2017, until December 31, 2018. During her two-year tenure, Ms. Johnson handled several high-profile cases, started the Expunction Expo, created several Community Satellite offices for Family Violence victims, and improved staff morale and unity in the office. She previously served as Judge of the 363rd Criminal District Court for over 17 years and handled thousands of felony cases.

During Ms. Johnson's legal career, she was an Assistant District Attorney for seven years, a partner in a civil trial law firm for over two years, and a practitioner with a non-profit law firm for two years. She is a member of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, Windham School District Board of Trustees, Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas, Dallas Bar Association, J.L. Turner Legal Association, The Potter's

House Board of Directors, United States Christian Chamber of Commerce and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Dallas Alumnae Chapter.

Date: September 12, 2022

Meeting Place: Rockwall Golf & Athletic Club 2600 Champions Drive Rockwall, TX 75087

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Our October Guest speaker is former Justice Wanda Fowler of the Fourteenth Court of Appeals.

Water, tea and coffee will be provided. We will be seated in classroom style seating.

Liberty Ladies Lunching –



DATE CHANGE - September 19, 2022

Meeting Place: The Bagel Lady, Rockwall location

Meet in the back room

Time: 11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Kids back at school? Ready to reconnect with your friends? Join us this month on the 3rd Monday for a fun time with other Republican ladies and prepare for the upcoming election. We look forward to having you join us.

RCRW Book Club -

Who loves reading? Taking a trip back in time?

You will want to join our Book Club and read the current selection - The Paris Wife by Paula McPain.

A deeply evocative story of ambition and betrayal that captures the love affair between two unforgettable people, Ernest Hemingway and his wife Hadley?

We will be meeting on September 18th at Rosini's Vineyard from 2:00 – 4:00pm.

Be sure to mark your calendars now and join us for the next discussion.

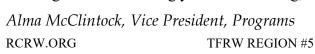
Don't miss out on any events, be sure to follow us on all social media platforms:

Website - http://www.rcrw.org/

Facebook - @RCRWTX

Instagram – rockwallcountyrepublicanwomen

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting,







SENATE DISTRICT #2

MEMBERSHIP REPORT



Hi Everyone,

I hope everyone is doing great, especially now that we've had some much-needed relief from the heat with this beautiful rain. However, it has come with some really bad flooding in other areas and I pray for those that are suffering because of it.

Thank you to all who inquired about me when I was out with a nasty bug, but thankfully not Covid again. I hope everyone had a great time at Opa's in Rowlett for the August Happy Hour. Sorry I missed it. I look forward to seeing all of you at next month's events.

Ladies, if you haven't renewed your membership, please do so. Our membership officially begins November 1st and ends March 31, 2023. We have a lot of members that haven't renewed, and we need our numbers to be stronger now more than ever as

we get ready for the election for mid-terms in November. We need to get out and show our support for our candidates. Keep Rockwall RED!

Don't forget I have a lot of name tags that still need to be distributed to those that have ordered one. So, come to the next general meeting in September to get yours. With that said, I'd like to welcome our new members. We look forward to getting to know you and for our renewals, welcome back. Our renewals and new members are as follows:

New Members Renewals

Norma Bell Amy Scheid Tisa White

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Cathy Buschold Carmen Wasserman
Julie Johnson Summer Winkler

Jamie Lee Kelly

Member/Associate numbers are:

Members 156 Associates 41 Honorary 5 **Total 202**

Best regards,

Karen Myers, Vice President, Membership

TREASURER'S REPORT



Treasure Report as of August 31, 2022

Operating Account Balance Forward \$15,843.33 Income 20.00 Expenses \$ 1.271.14 \$14,592.19 **Grand Total Scholarship Account** Opening balance \$ 2,395.64 Income 500.00 Expenses 0.00 \$ 2,895.64 Total

Frances White, Treasurer



VP POLICITAL ACTIVITIES



Fall is in the air and boots are on the ground! It is time to turn in July and August Political Activity hours if you haven't done so. Don't know they are, or why they are important? Text or call me at 817-614-7361 or email rcrwpa@gmail.com with questions, or to request a form.

Want to know more about the importance of reporting your time? Click the link below!

https://www.nfrw.org/elections

Toni Felts, Vice President Political Activities

RCRW SOCIAL TIME



Happy Hours: EDOHANA JAPANESE Sept 20th, 2022 6:00-8:00 716 E. I-30 Frontage Rd. Rockwall, TX 75087 972-722-4664



Ginger Poached Pears with Honeyed Vanilla Custard

Ingredients:

4 Semi – ripe pears

4 12- ounce bottles of potent Ginger Beer

4 ½ inch disks of pee ½ cup white sugar ½ cup pecans, toasted

4 quality ginger snaps

2 tablespoons minced crystallized ginger, finely chopped peeled, raw ginger

The zest of one lemon, cut into strips that can easily be finished out of poaching

2 cups half and half

½ vanilla bean

3 egg volks

2 tablespoons, sweetened dried cranberries finely chopped

Directions:

Peel the pears, cut them from top to bottom (keep the stem on one half, if you can, for presentation's sake) and core them. If you cut the holes deeper, it allows you to add more crumble topping.

Pour Ginger beer in a pan big enough to hold the pears in a single layer and add the raw ginger and lemon zest. Arrange pear side down in poaching liquid. Get the liquid to a slow simmer and poach the pears until they can be easily pierced with the tip of a knife that takes 20-30 mins.





When the pears are done carefully remove them with a slotted spoon and set aside to cool.

Use the slotted spoon to fish out the lemon zest and ginger and put poaching liquid back on medium low heat to reduce to about ³/₄ cup of a spicy ginger syrup. Strain the reduced syrup into the pitcher.

To make the custard pour the ½ and ½ and honey in the top of the pan. Slit the vanilla bean lengthwise and scrape its contents out of the pod. Place the vanilla pod and its seeds into the cream mixture, with water in the bottom of the double boiler, put the pan on the heat and bring it to a simmer. In a separate bowl whisk the egg yolks with the sugar. When the cream is hot enough, slowly whisk 3-4 tablespoons of cream to the egg mixture continuously whisking. Put the thinned egg mixture into the hot cream mixture and put combination over the double boiler heat until it reaches 180 degrees. When it hits that heat strain the mixture through a sieve into a pitcher set aside and cool.

Pulse the pecans a few times in a food processor. Add the ginger snaps and pulse a few more times until they are broken down. Stir in the cranberries and crystallized ginger.

To assemble pour a little bit of syrup on a plate. Arrange one or two pear halves on top of it add more syrup over pears. Fill the core holes with the crumble mixture and add custard.

Jessica Metts, Social Chair

TEXAS HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE HD 33

JOBS & ECONOMY



More Texans are working than any point in Texas history. There are more than 14.5 million young, knowledgeable, skilled Texans in the workforce today. This is no accident, folks. Texas is the top state for jobs created by black business owners, Hispanic women business owners, and veteran business owners. It is no secret, conservative policy has produced todays hot business climate. Our greatest natural resource is the people of the Lone Star State.

SOUTHERN BORDER

Texas continues to do the job of the federal government in securing the southern border. Operation Lone Star is gaining national attention as buses arrive in sanctuary cities across the country. The list of destinations has grown

to include Chicago, Washington D.C., and New York City. This policy continues to save lives and suppress illegal drug trafficking in the State of Texas. It is long past time for the Biden Administration to step up. However, if they do not, Texas will continue its course.

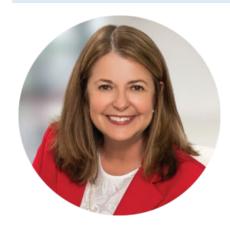
VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas Veterans Commission (TVC) recently announced over \$31 million in grant funding for veterans across Texas that will be distributed through TVC's Fund for Veterans' Assistance (FVA) Big Check Tour. This grant funding was approved by TVC Commissioners in May and will total 139 grants awarded to 121 organizations across Texas. These grants are estimated to serve more than 22,000 Texas veterans.

FVA grants support a wide range of services from emergency financial assistance to transportation, legal services to family support services and home modification to rental and mortgage assistance. The TVC awards grants in five categories: General Assistance; Housing for Texas Heroes; Veterans Mental Health Grants; Veterans Treatment Courts; and Veteran County Service Officers.

Justin Holland, Texas State Representative HD 33

TFRW REPORT





President's Pen - Better and Stronger Together!

Can you feel it? The November election is only 68 days away and excitement about the election is growing every day. TFRW women are registering voters, phone-banking, block-walking, writing letters, and planning to work as election judges, clerks, and poll watchers. Participating in elections is one of the key freedoms of American life and it is appropriate while celebrating the Constitution this month, that we be reminded about the importance of voting, being involved in the election process, and working together to fight the radical

policies and disruptive leaders who are working to tear apart the fabric of our country.

America is blessed with the best system of government in the world. One that allows We the People to have a voice through our election process. Our Founding Fathers were military leaders, rebels, politicians, lawyers, and writers who came from different backgrounds with different opinions, yet they knew the importance of the task set before them and worked together to form our nation. It is critical that today, Republicans follow their example by setting our differences aside and working together to win in November.

We the People carry the American spirit. We are "Texas Tough" and when we as Republicans come together and show up, there is nothing we can't do. As I travel the state, I see TFRW women showing up, speaking up and working together for their communities, state, and our nation. A few of the ways TFRW women are working to make us stronger and better include:

- The Dallas County Council of Republican Women and the Greater Houston Council each held Candidate Meet and Greets. Each event had 250-300 guests and provided candidates with the opportunity to inform voters about their campaigns. Not only were voters informed, but candidates also recruited volunteers who had never been involved before. Thank you to our councils for all you do to make TFRW clubs in your area stronger and better.
- Clubs are planning unity events with other TFRW clubs, county parties, and conservative groups in their area.
- The San Angelo Republican Women and the Concho Valley Republican Women joined forces to host the Keep Texas Texas-Vote for Governor Abbott Rally. Great job ladies!
- TFRW is working with County Chairs who request a club in their area to support the county efforts. Thank you, Barbie Baker, for serving as our TRCCA liaison. I look forward to TFRW and TRCCA working together to bring home Texas-sized wins in November and in the future.
- TFRW clubs are partnering with Leadership Institute to provide Get-Out-the-Vote training. Thank you, Charla Brotherton, for serving as our Campaign Management School Chair.
- TFRW clubs are working to host Red Heel Brigades to support candidates in their area. Thank you, Corrine Miklosh, for making these Brigades happen.
- Clubs are holding VDR training knowing that registering new Republican voters is crucial to winning in November.
- Clubs are working together with their Deputy President and District Director to plan 2023 Nuts & Bolts training for their regions to continue Building Strong Leaders for Texas!

America is an exceptional nation whose future is up to us. Many of you are working long hours running your clubs, block-walking, phone-banking, sending postcards, and serving as precinct chairs and county chairs and more. You demonstrate incredible commitment and purpose, and I can't thank you enough for all the work that you do.

In two short months, this election cycle will all be over. I ask you to do all you can to make TFRW and Texas stronger and better by remaining positive and focusing on our mission of electing our nominees that the voters of Texas selected.

Kit Whitehill TFRW President

LEGISLATIVE



It is widely known that the members of Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW) are not shy about sharing their opinions. It also is widely known that when TFRW members communicate with their representatives to share their opinions, they do so respectfully.

As you know from the TFRW Bylaws, Leadership Handbook, our training programs, and our Action Alerts, when you communicate with your elected representatives, you communicate in your individual capacity. One thing to keep in mind when you are communicating with your elected officials is whether the purpose of your communication is to educate or to advocate.

If you possess expertise in a particular subject, your purpose may be to EDUCATE. If the purpose is to educate, focus on providing the representative or his staff with information about the matter and options for how best to deal with it. Provide information that demonstrates and validates your expertise. However, avoid information overload. Elected officials are bombarded by innumerable constituents and organizations. Keep things as simple as possible and consider sending or leaving a "one-pager" or fact sheet to communicate the most important information.

If the purpose of the communication is to ADVOCATE, you are taking a stand on an issue. Most of your communication with your elected representatives will fall into this category. For your advocacy to be effective, your representative and his or her staff must consider you to be a credible source. Your credibility comes from your integrity and reputation for being honest. Never provide inaccurate information or purposely lie. Do your own research to verify the accuracy of the information you are communicating. A one-pager is an effective communication tool for an advocacy position, too.

It goes without saying that your communication must always be respectful, even if you disagree with your elected representative on a particular issue. Use the "Golden Rule" when communicating with your elected officials and their staff. They may not agree with you, but they are more likely to want to continue the relationship when there is mutual respect.

Effective, informative, respectful communication - just another way that TFRW builds strong leaders! Robbi Hull, VP Legislation vplegislation@tfrw.org

VDR TRAINING

VOTER REGISTRATION DEPUTY TRAINING

In Person Training

Anyone wanting to become a VDR can study the information online through the SOS website at: https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/volunteer-deputy-registrar-training.pdf
Print and take the test from SOS as well:

https://www.sos.texas.gov/elections/forms/exam-volunteer-deputy-registrars.pdf#search=volunteer%20deputy%20registrar

(If you do not have a printer, you can take the exam at the Election's Office)

Once you complete the exam, call the Elections office to set up an appointment to bring in the test and complete the required paperwork.

RCRW UPDATES

STAY UDATED WITH THE LATEST INFORMATION FROM RCRW



It is finally here!!

Rockwall County Republican Women now has the ability to text by using Remind. Many of you may be familiar with this program.

To receive e-mail and text reminders, follow the instructions below to send a request to be allowed in the RCRW texting. Once accepted, you will begin to receive text messages from RCRW.

Text the message @2474cb to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @2474cb to (205) 703-2109.

* Standard text message rates apply.

Don't have a mobile phone? Go to www.rmd.at/2474cb on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.

CALENDAR







Join us at Diva's and Darlings for a fun time sipping your favorite beverage and shopping the latest styles.

September 29, 2022

From 6:00-8:00 P.M. 2455 Ridge Rd #129 Rockwall, TX 75087

Proceeds will go to our scholarship fund.

Please see our website for updated event information.

Republican Events:

September 12, 2022 – RCRW General Meeting: 6:30 P.M., at Rockwall Golf and Athletic Club, 2600 Champions Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, guest speaker is Faith Johnson.

September 18, 2022 - RCRW Book Club: 2:00 P.M. until 4:00PM at Rosini's

September 20, 2022 – RCRW Happy Hour: 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., more details coming soon.

September 19, 2022 – Liberty Ladies Lunching: 11:30 A.M. until 1:00 P.M., at The Bagel Lady, 316 S. Goliad, Rockwall, Texas, 75087, this is a great chance for Republican ladies to have lunch and meet new friends.

September 29, 2022 – RCRW "Sip and Shop": 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., Divas and Darlings, 2455 Ridge Road, Suite 129, Rockwall, Texas 75087, shop all the latest fashions while you taste the latest wines, 20% of the proceeds will go back to our club.

October 5, 2022 - GOP Lunch Bunch: 11:45 A.M., at Luigi's Italian Cafe, 2002 S. Goliad Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087 cost is \$13.00.

October 8, 2022 - Republican Men's Club Meeting: 8:00 A.M., at the Center At Rockwall City Place, 108 E. Washington Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087, for more information go to https://www.facebook.com/rockwallgopmen.

October 10, 2022 – RCRW General Meeting: 6:30 P.M., at Rockwall Golf and Athletic Club, 2600 Champions Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, we will have a Meet and Gree with candidates as well as guest speaker 14th Court of Appeals Justice Fowler.

October 18, 2022 – RCRW Happy Hour: 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., more information will be provided soon.

October 24, 2022 – Liberty Ladies Lunching: 11:30 A.M. until 1:00 P.M., at The Bagel Lady, 316 S. Goliad, Rockwall, Texas, 75087, this is a great chance for Republican ladies to have lunch and meet new friends.

Community

Saturdays until September 24, 2022 – Rockwall Farmer's Market, Downtown Rockwall 8:00 A.M. until Noon.

September 17, 2022 – 10th Annual Rockwall Rubber Duck Regatta and Jeep Festival: 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., at the Harbor 2074 Summer Lee Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, for more information go to www.rockwallduckrace.org.

September 17, 2022 – 9th Annual Celebrate Fate: 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., Fate City Hall located at 1900 CD Boren Parkway, live event will feature entertainment, free t-shirts, and free <u>In-N-Out Burgers</u>.

September 18, 2022 – 7th Annual Bikes for Tykes benefiting Rockwall CAC: Registration begins at 11:00 A.M., the ride stats at 1:00 P.M. it is \$20.00 per bike plus, a new, unwrapped soft toy, for more information go to www.rockwallbikesfortykes.org

September 23-25, 2022 – 22nd Annual Juried Fine Art Show and Sale, by Rockwall Art League: Friday is Noon until 7:00 P.M., Saturday is 10:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M., Sunday is Noon to 4:00 P.M., at Rockwall Golf and Athletic Club, 2600 Champions Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, for more information go to www.rockwallartleague.org.

September 24, 2022 – Heroes Day: All day event beginning at 7:00 A.M., at McLendon-Chisholm City Hall, a 5k, 10k, and Half Marathon, a fitness challenge and kid's field day with food trucks, flyover, live music and much more.

September 30- 2022 – October 23, 2022 – State Fair of Texas.

September 29, 2022 – Rockwall's Pregnancy Resource Center's Celebrate Life Fundraising Event: 7:00 P.M. at Hilton Dallas Rockwall Lakefront, 2055 Summer Lee Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75032, for more information go to www.yourprc.org.

September 30- 2022 – October 23, 2022 – State Fair of Texas.

October 1, 2022 – 14th Annual Rib Run & Roll: 10:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Harry Myers Park and the car show will be downtown, to register go to ww.playrockwall.com.

October 1, 2022 – Kaufman County Republican Women's Bunco Night: 6:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M. at Rustic Rail Golf Club in Crandall, Texas, 1602 E US Highway 175, Crandall, Texas 75114. More information regarding tickets will be coming soon.

October 6, 2022 – 10th Annual Willis Pink Party: 7:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M., 2845 Ridge Road, Rockwall, Texas 75032, for more information or raffle tickets go to www.facebook.com/rockwallhelpinghands.

October 8, 2022 – Empower 7's "Deep In The Heart" Inaugural Fundraiser: 5:30 P.M. until 10:00 P.M. at The Venue at Boyd Farm 10350 State Hwy 205, Lavon, TX 75166, for more information and tickets go to www.empower7.org/deepintheheart

October 15, 2022 – Aspasians Marketplace: 9:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. at Wilkerson-Sanders Memorial Stadium Parking Lot, 1201 T.L. Townsend Drive, Rockwall, Texas, this is a free event.

God Bless Texas!!!

October 15, 2022 – Royse City Chamber FunFest: 12:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M. downtown Royse City, Texas on Main Street.

October 15, 2022 – Amica Gala: 6:00 P.M. until 12:00 A.M., at Culpepper Steak House, 309 E. Interstate 30, Rockwall, Texas 75087, for tickets go to https://one.bidpal.net/rockwallamica.

October 22, 2022 – Meals On Wheels Gala: 6:300 P.M. until 11:00 P.M. Hilton Dallas Rockwall Lakefront, 2055 Summer Lee Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75032, for more information contact Maureen Cook at, 972.771.9514 or email mcook@rockwallmealsonwheels.org.

November 4, 2022 – Black and White Casino Night, Soroptimist International of Rockwall: 6:00 P.M. until 10:30 P.M., at Hidden Creed, 215 Chris Cuny Parkway, Heath, Texas 75032, ticket information will be provided soon.

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.

Rockwall County Independent School District – Meets 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M.



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"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

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