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RCRW NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

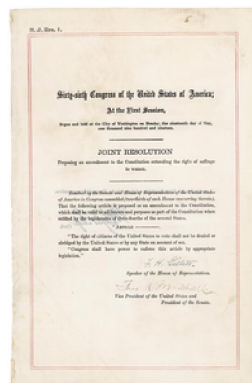
I can't believe it is April already, where has the time gone? We have accomplished so many things, attended numerous events and have much more to do. With the Primaries over, it is imperative now more than ever to remind our community members that we have 2 more elections coming up and we will need them to get back out to vote.

Up first, we have the Municipal Elections starting with early voting April 22-30, 2024 and Election Day being Saturday, May 4, 2024. This election will cover the Rockwall ISD School Board Trustees, City of Fate Council Members, City of Heath Mayor and Council Members, City of McLendon-Chisholm Mayor and Council Members, City of Wylie Council Members and City of Rowlett Propositions.

Next, we will need to ensure everyone gets back out for the Runoff Election, with early voting starting May 20-24, 2024 and Election Day being Tuesday, May 28, 2024. This election will cover State Representative, District 33 and County Commissioner Precinct 1. Regardless if you live in a specific area, as you can see the Rockwall ISD and State Representative races effect us all. Please make it a point to go vote and take someone with you. Out of the 83,500 registered voters in Rockwall County, only 22,593 people got out to vote. That is 27.06% of our county (both Republican and Democrats). That is a truly sad representation of our community. Men fought and some lost their lives



in order for us to have the liberties to go and vote. We as women should truly take a stand to ensure our families and friends are out casting their vote. When the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was passed on June 4, 1919, and ratified on August 18, 1920, women across the nation made a point to go and vote. We need that same passion and tenacity! Think of your great-grandmothers and grandmothers and what they had to do. We need to ensure going forward, we are out to help make Rockwall County, Texas and this nation, the best place to live. Who is up for the challenge? I know I am!!!! See you at the polls ~





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V.P. Programs

Hello everyone! Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on April 8, 2024. Our guest speaker will be Rockwall County Criminal District Attorney, Kenda Culpepper who will speak to the club about how the District Attorney's Office has grown in the past decade, and the challenges they're facing regarding crime in Rockwall County with this growth. You won't want to miss this informative meeting, so please mark your calendars to attend. Link to register for the potluck:



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0944A8A82FA0FB6-48623567-rockwall>

On April 5, 2024, the Rockwall Women's Scholarship Fund (RWSF) will host its first Annual Golf Tournament. If you haven't signed up to attend this fun event, it's not too late. We need all our members help and support to make this event successful. This is your chance to make a difference and help shape future minds with Republican information and values. All the proceeds from this event will go to the RWSF and put towards scholarships to be awarded at our May meeting to be held on May 14, 2024.

We hope to see y'all there
God Bless Texas!!



Mark your calendars:

4th Monday of each month (April 22nd, 2024)

Meeting Place: La Madeline

Meet in the back room

Time: 11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

It's a great time to come have lunch with your friends, like-minded women, and to catch up on life.



V.P. Membership

Happy Spring to all! Can't believe that on April 8, 2024, we will get to experience the Total Solar Eclipse. Please make sure if you are outdoors, you have the correct solar eclipse glasses. They need to be approved through NASA.

If you have not picked up your name badge that you ordered, please plan to attend our April meeting to collect. See you all at our next meeting Monday, April 8, 2024, at 6:30pm located Harry Myers Center.

We would like to Welcome all our new members that have joined.

Sharon Caldwell	Vonda Creighton
Sharon Donegan	Laura DeLaMatyr
Cheri Finch	Marcia Hasenyager
Karen Petty	Jeanie Schneider
Emma Jean Smith	Kimberly Wheelock

Our membership numbers are as follows:

Members: 128

Associates: 32

Honorary: 3

TOTAL: 163

Please email me at rcrwmembership@rcrw.org with any questions or concerns and if you have any friends/family who would like to become a RCRW member, please ask them to fill out the membership application at rcrw.org.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our next monthly meeting on Monday, April 8, 2024.

Cordially,

Lisa S. Kearby, VP of Membership



Be sure to follow us on all social media platforms:

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

Facebook - @RCRWTX

Instagram - rockwallcountyrepublicanwomen





V.P. Political Activities

Thank you to everyone who continues to participate in Political Activities and reports on your hours.

In February, our club worked 4,213 hours toward political activities, and completed 814 phone calls. This is a 75% increase in hours compared to January, and a 250% increase in phone calls!

Remember all that I need to report each month is your total hours spent on any political activity and the total number of phone calls made. You should include the time spent at any of our meetings or social functions such as the Liberty Ladies Luncheon, Candidate Meet & Greet, our monthly meeting, and our Out & About events. You should even include the driving time to and from these events.

Please be sure to get me your March 2024 hours as soon as possible after the end of the month. You can either text them to me at 610-360-0300 or email to nasusedwards@icloud.com. No need to submit a form.



Social Chair

We had a great Social time at Charlie's Old Fashion Burger's in Royse City last week. Thank you all who came out just to relax and enjoy great company and conversation.

Next months Social time will be at Snuffer's in Rockwall on Tuesday April 16, 2024 at 6 pm. Plan to come out and enjoy their beautiful patio with scenery of our beautiful lake.



Besure and sign up for the Ladies Night Out. This will be at Lakeside Florist in their new location next to Well's Cattle Co., Restaurant & Market. There is limited spaces available so sign up today.

Password is RCRWParty24

<https://lakesideflorist.net/rcrw-private-party-event-2/>

Looking forward to see y'all soon -Deanna Tucker





Scholarship Chair

I hope everyone has survived daylight savings time. It always seems to take a full 2 weeks to get our circadian rhythm back on track in the spring and fall. I am looking forward to more warm weather and fun in the sun.

The deadline for submission of RWSF scholarship applications has come and gone, and the scholarship committee for RWSF is ready to begin reviewing these applications.

As most of you remember, and for those new to our club, the scholarship program has a new look via a 501c3 organization, as lined out under the IRS tax code, formed in August of 2023. RCRW fully stands behind the formation of this non-profit and encourages all members to do the same. Their mission to "Provide educational and financial assistance to support and empower the next generation of Republican Women" is a mission we should all get behind. Ways we can all support this great cause, is by liking, following and sharing their new Facebook page at Republican Women Scholarship Fund. Get involved in volunteering on their scholarship committee or fundraiser committee, and as always, donate directly to the scholarship fund, or join in on one of their fabulous fundraisers. Below is the upcoming fundraiser for RWSF.

As a director for RWSF and the Scholarship Chair for RCRW, I wanted to announce RWSFs inaugural golf tournament. There are still hole sponsorship opportunities available, the deadline will be close to the time of this newsletter, but as always, donations are ongoing! If you or anyone you know would like to donate, we would love to partner with you for this great cause. If you have missed the deadline for sponsorship and or putting a golf team together, we still have an opportunity for you to join us at the After Party. Dinner, drinks, and live entertainment for \$50 per person.

Finally, RCRW and RWSF would like to take this opportunity to thank the following sponsors, who stand with supporting the mission of the Republican Women Scholarship Fund.





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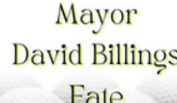
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FRIDAY

APRIL 5, 2024

BUFFALO CREEK
GOLF CLUB

Check-in: 11:30 am
Shotgun starts 1:00 pm

\$175 - Per Player
\$600 - 4 Players

All proceeds go to benefit the
Republican Women Scholarship
Fund-501c3 organization

Register now. space is limited





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Path to the Founders' Vision

America's Founding Fathers formed our nation to be a bastion of liberty that would outlast even the longest of empires. Their vision told the story of a nation reliant on Natural Law to govern the affairs of men. The Founders intended to form a nation that was virtuous and morally superior, with leaders who held themselves to this same standard. These men were strong in their conviction to build a just nation filled with people of great character.

What the Founders understood that to be was a "City on a Hill" as John Winthrop described in his 1630 sermon. The nation needed to operate under traditional Judeo-Christian values. For the idea of this great nation, one where all mankind is created equal, to succeed, religion and morality must become the support system that maintains righteous government. Righteous government cannot exist unless it is, as President Abraham Lincoln said, "of the people, by the people, and for the people."

Government today continues to stray further from the vision our Founders laid out some 247 years ago at the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Our inability to uphold a virtuous and morally superior society has led to many of our leaders being morally corrupt and seeking personal gain rather than leading this nation with great character. We have seen a top-down erosion of character and morality in government leaders who no longer hold the Founders' vision for our nation in high regard. They instead see public office as an opportunity to gain fame and line their pockets.

Societal decay has reared its head due to low levels of trust in institutions, among other factors. This lack of trust can be traced back to a lack of virtue in society and among its leaders. President Ronald Reagan, in his farewell address to a grateful nation, spoke at length regarding the need for limited government. He specifically stated, "As government expands, liberty contracts."

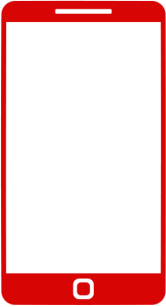
This concept was the catalyst for the ratification of the Tenth Amendment which conveys that any powers not specifically given to the federal government, nor withheld from the states, are reserved to those respective states, or **to the people**. The Founders understood the need to enshrine limited and carefully defined powers, not to protect the government from the people, but to protect the people from an overreaching government.

While the Tenth Amendment is pure in its intention, it has been ignored by those in power for far too long. Today, we see a federal government that consistently exercises power it does not hold according to the Constitution while at the same time abdicating duties it is charged with such as protecting our nation's border. Federal government today is far removed from the picture President Lincoln painted in the Gettysburg Address, it no longer operates "of the people, by the people, and for the people," but rather **despite the people**. Leaders are focused on maximizing power rather than protecting the individual rights of the people.

The path is clear either continue down the road of societal decay, or turn back to the vision of the Founders. Seek out virtue and morality, and vote for leaders who hold these traits in the highest regard. **For our nation to thrive, we must choose the vision of the Founders and we must choose quickly.**



RCRW UPDATES



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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.

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Go to www.rmd.at/2474cb on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.

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our Facebook page
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Republican Events:

April 3, 2024 - GOP Lunch Bunch: 11:30am -1:00pm., at Luigi's Italian Cafe, 2002 S. Goliad Street, Rockwall, Texas. Cost is \$13.00.

April 5, 2024 - Republican Women Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament, 11:30am at Buffalo Creek, 624 Country Club Dr, Rockwall, TX.

April 8th, 2024 - RCRW General Meeting, 6:00pm - 8:00pm at Harry Myers Park Club House with a Potluck Dinner offered.

April 16, 2024 - Social Hour: 6:00pm-8:00pm, at Snuffer's, 2901 Village Dr, Rockwall, TX.

April 22, 2024 - Liberty Ladies Lunch - 11:30am-1:00pm, at La Madeleine 987 East I-30, Rockwall, TX.

April 24, 2024 - Ladies Night Out: 6:00pm-8:00pm, at Lakeside Florist at their new location next door to Wells Downtown, 204 N Fannin St, Rockwall.





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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allegiance to thee, Texas, one
state under God, one and
indivisible."**

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.

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