





JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER

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



Hello and welcome to summer!!!

I hope you are staying cool and enjoying your time with family and friends.

The 88th Legislative Session has come to an end and Governor Abbott has called a 2nd Special Session. Currently the Senate has passed their version of a Property Tax relief bill which included \$100,000 homestead exemption and tax rate compression. The bill also includes \$6,000 for teachers in districts with less than 20,000 students and \$2,000 for teachers in districts with more than 20,000 students, as well as doubling the Franchise tax exemption to \$2.5 million. The Texas House has again passed their version of property tax relief which focuses solely

on compression of the tax rate. We are hoping that the Senate and House will come together and work for the betterment of the people of Texas.

We hope to see you at the Rockwall July 4th Parade and will participate in walking or riding on the RCRW float. We will be passing out candy and well wishes to our fellow community members.

If you haven't purchased your ticket to this year's Woman of Influence Fashion Show and Tea, I highly recommend doing so. We will have a great time honoring our recipient and getting a sneak peek into the upcoming fashions from our 3 boutiques; Bella's, Hansel & Hers, and Divas and Darlings. You can purchase your tickets using this link:

https://checkout.square.site/buy/BBPFWNF5ZAMYYCY2PV47PXC4 I look forward to seeing you at our next event,

Alma McClintock, President



V.P. PROGRAMS



Important Reminder There will be no General meeting in July. Please make sure you get out and enjoy the 4th of July holiday and festivities. Both the GOP and RCRW will have a float in the Rockwall and Heath parades, and we would love for you to join us. Thank you to Rockwall County Judge Frank New, Bobby Gallana, and Senator Hall for taking time out of your busy schedules to come and speak with the club and give us important updates at our June meeting. Up next, the club will be hosting our Fashion Show and Tea on August 26th, 2023, 2:00 p.m. at the Center here in Rockwall with Rockwall County Criminal District Attorney Kenda Culpepper as the emcee. The Tickets are selling fast, so make sure to get yours while you can. This event will be so much fun as we will be awarding this year's Woman of Influence. Grab a friend or friends, and join us for some great local fashion, bubbly, and shopping. Our next regularly scheduled General Meeting will be held on September 11, 2023. In honor of 9/11 Memorial, Chris Dorwood will be giving us some great information on his Texas Valor Project. We hope to see y'all there!

Date: September 11, 2023

Meeting Place: Harry Myers Park Community Center - 815 Washington Street Rockwall, Texas 75087

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.Potluck dinner will be provided.

RCRW Book Club

We will meet once a quarter Rosini's Vineyard to discuss the book selection. Please plan to join us, even if you can't read the book, for a fun time together and to compare ideas.

This quarter's selection is: *Eligible* by Curtis Sittenfeld. We will meet on September 24th, 2023, at Rosini's Vineyard from 2:00p.m. – 4:00p.m.

God Bless Texas!!!

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Liberty Ladies Lunching



Mark your calendars:

4th Monday of each month (July 24, 2023)

Meeting Place: La Madeleine

987 E Interstate 30, Rockwall, TX 75087

Time: 11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

It's a great time to meet with friends, like-minded women, catch up on life and have a relaxing time together.

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, *Lea Carlson, Vice President, Programs*

V.P. MEMBERSHIP



Hello everyone -

I hope everyone has recovered from the horrible storms we've experienced lately. Now that summer has approached, please make sure you & your loved ones are staying hydrated.

Thank you again to all who continue to join us at our social events; Social Hours, Liberty Ladies luncheon and monthly meetings. Please bring a friend, family member and/or husbands to our social hour events and monthly meetings.

We have several name tags that still have not been claimed. Please remember to pick them up at the next meeting if you have already purchased.

I would like to welcome our new members:

Irene Eckenroth Teresa Lamb Hava McClintock Sondra Rampy Samantha Sargent



Our membership numbers are as follows:

Members: 121 Associates: 31 Honorary: 4 TOTAL: 156

Please email me at rcrwmembership@rcrw.org with any questions or concerns and if you have any friends/family who would like to become an RCRW member please ask them to fill out the membership application located on our website at rcrw.org. See you all at our next meeting!

Lisa Seligman-Kearby, Vice President of Membership

TREASURER



Treasurer's Report as of June 1-24 2023, Operating Account

Balance forward	\$12,000.33
Income	\$ 2,991.00
Expenses	\$ 3,023.86
Total	\$11,967.47

Scholarship Report

Balance forward 39.88 \$ 2,500.00 Income Expenses 0.00 Total \$ 2,539.88



Frances White, Treasurer











V.P. POLICITAL ACTIVITIES



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

Remember all that I need to report each month are your <u>total hours</u> spent on any political activity and the <u>total number of phone calls</u> 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 get me your hours and calls for Q2 by the July 5th so I can report them to the Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW). It's really important that you also include the number of calls you made and remember every hour counts! You can either text them to me at 610-360-0300 or email to nasusedwards@icloud.com. No need to submit a form.

Susan Edwards, Vice President of Political Activities

SOCIAL CHAIR



Our next social time will be Tuesday July 18th at Rodeo Goat at the Harbor. What a beautiful time to be at the lake.

Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 Time: 6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m.

Place: Rodeo Goat

2095 Summer Lee Dr., Suite 105

Rockwall, Texas 75032

Our next Ladies Day Out will be at the Hidden Mosaic in McLendon Chisholm on Wednesday, September 20th from 6:00p.m.-8:00p.m. Seats are limited so please sign up now using the link below. Thank you all for making my position so much fun. Stay cool my patriots.

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Deanna Tucker, Social Chair

CONGRESSMAN PAT FALLON, TX 04

Legislative Update from Congressman Pat Fallon

The House of Representatives saw a packed month of June before Congress headed back home for the Independence Day recess. As the Representative for Texas' fourth district, here are a few updates on our work in the House.

NDAA for Fiscal Year 2024

Each year Congress must pass the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) that outlines the budget and expenditures for our military. I had a part in this as a member of the House Armed Services Committee.

This year, with our new Republican House Majority, we advanced key provisions that push back and eliminate woke ideology from being forced on

our service men and women while restoring our military's focus on lethality. The NDAA we passed gives our Armed Services the resources to maintain peak readiness instead of woke politics. Here are a few of the highlights from the bill:

- Authorizes the Department of Defense budget at \$874 billion, a 3.3 percent increase from last year and raises troop pay by 5.2 percent, the largest ever pay raise.
- Bans funding for divisive Critical Race Theory.
- Repeals the Department of Defense's (DOD) unnecessary Chief Diversity Officer.
- Prohibits Drag Shows on military installations.
- Prevents a Military "Green New Deal" by halting radical climate proposals such as the electrification of combat vehicles.

Also included is my "Missions Not Emissions Act" bill that prevents the DOD from prioritizing climate-risk and emissions reporting as part of the contract bidding process. When it comes to the DOD, we should be focused on how contractors deliver solutions to the warfighter to train, fight, and win. There is no room for politicized, far-left rhetoric in the DOD.

Democrat Adam Schiff Censured

You probably remember Adam Schiff, the California Democrat who lied to the American people in order to advance the false Trump-Russia collusion narrative. This June, the House Voted to censure Adam Schiff and open an Ethics Committee investigation into him.

I can tell you firsthand that I was amazed at some of the tirades from Democrats after the vote. If you only listened to them or their cheerleaders on MSNBC, you would think that Adam Schiff was some great patriot who should be mentioned in the same sentence as Presidents Washington or Lincoln. Nothing could be further from the truth. Adam Schiff actively worked to undermine the will of the American people by pushing for the impeachment of our duly elected President, Donald Trump, because of the phony Russian collusion hoax. Clearly, nothing has changed in the minds of the folks on the other side of the aisle.

Biden Investigation Continues

Multiple House committees continued their investigation of the Biden family influence peddling scheme this past month. As a member of the House Committee on Oversight and investigation, I was allowed to view the FD-1023 document provided by the FBI that details communications between Joe Biden and foreign nationals that amounts to a quid-pro-quo. To be honest, it was sickening to read the document, which in my opinion seems to confirm whistleblower testimony that Biden took payments from foreign actors whilst he was Vice President. This tells us that Biden is likely comprised. Even so, the sweetheart deal for his son Hunter who was recently charged with multiple counts of tax fraud changes nothing for the direction of our investigation. We will continue to follow where the evidence leads when it comes to Biden's corruption.

Rep. Pat Fallon represents Texas' Fourth Congressional District. An Air Force veteran, he is a member of the House Committee Oversight and Accountability and the House Armed Services Committee.

SREC SD 2



The Executive Committee's second quarterly meeting was held on June 16 and 17 in Austin. The SREC passed a resolution condemning the impeachment of Attorney General Ken Paxton based on the lack of due process. The process provided no opportunity for rebuttal or due process. The committee also passed resolutions asking for special sessions to support legislation that will provide Texans with long-term property tax reform that will lead to the elimination of property taxes and a special session to ensure election integrity. The committee passed a resolution asking Governor Abbott to immediately call for another special session without delay to truly address the invasion and state of emergency at the Texas southern border with instructions for Texas Legislators to pass meaningful legislations.

The Partnerships and Coalitions Committee heard from representatives from the Convention of States, Texas Nationalists, and Texas Federation of Teenage Republicans. Decisions to include these groups were tabled at this time.

The next SREC meeting is scheduled for September 22 and 23 in Austin. Please continue to pray for all Conservative Republicans in our state and country.

Jerry Fisher, SREC Committeewoman for SD2 Jerry.fishersd2@gmail.com 214-478-6100

RCRW UPDATES



STAY UPDATED 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

Please see our website for updated event information.

Republican Events:

July 4, 2023 – Rockwall July 4th Parade - Wilkerson - Sanders Memorial Football Stadium, 1201 T L Townsend Dr, Rockwall, TX 75087. Meet at 9:00 am to help decorate and the parade starts at 11:00am.

July 5, 2023 - GOP Lunch Bunch: 11:30 A.M., at Luigi's Italian Cafe, 2002 S. Goliad Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087 cost is \$13.00.

July 18, 2023 - RCRW Social Hour: 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M., at Rodeo Goat 2095 Summer Lee Dr Suite 105, Rockwall, TX. 75032

July 24, 2023 - Liberty Ladies Lunch – 11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M., at La Madeleine, 987 East 1-30, Rockwall, TX 75087.

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August 2, 2023 - GOP Lunch Bunch: 11:30 A.M., at Luigi's Italian Cafe, 2002 S. Goliad Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087 cost is \$13.00.

August 22, 2023 - RCRW Social Hour: 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M., at Gianni's Italian Bistro, 465 Laurence Dr, Heath, TX 75032.

August 26, 2023 – RCRW Woman of Influence Fashion Show and Tea: 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. at The Center of Rockwall, 108 E Washington St, Rockwall, TX 75087.

August 28, 2023 - Liberty Ladies Lunch - 11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M., at La Madeleine, 987 East 1-30, Rockwall, TX 75087.



SAVE THE DATE TFRW Convention Oct 12-14, 2023 - Irving Convention Center at Las Colinas Irving, Texas



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.



PLEDGE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

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

Thank you to all our wonderful Sponsors for this year's Woman of Influence Fashion Show & Tea

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Executive Board meetings held the last Tuesday of the month at 5:30PM

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