



Cy-Fair Republican Women

NEWSLETTER
September 2008

Kay's Kolumn



I want to thank Jan Ott, for opening her beautiful home to us, for our August evening social. I also want to thank Mary Atchison, Barbara Dorsey, Joy Gregory, Emily Klein, Rita Parrish, Betty Guthrie, Betty Phelan Collins, Pam Waldren and Jude Wiggins for all the wonderful food!

Both of our speakers, The Honorable Congressman John Culberson and the Christian Politician radio show host, Apostle Claver T. Kamau-Imani were truly a dynamic duo. The event evolved into a town-hall-style format with a very energizing talk by both men. We appreciate them both for taking the time to come to our meeting.

The National Conventions are here and as I write this article we await, with great expectation, to see who the Presidential candidates will choose as their Vice Presidential choice. I hope that whoever Senator McCain chooses, that it will be someone who will further your personal endorsement of him. And I invite you all to remember that regardless of who he chooses, that we must resolve to earnestly support the ticket. We have to make sure that someone with so few credentials, so little experience and so dangerous an agenda as Senator Obama, does not take possession of the highest office in our land and become the leader of the free world.

There are numerous opportunities coming along every day for our members to participate in campaign activities. I will continue to send information about these activities to you by email as that is the quickest way to get the word out. Please contact Pam Waldren, Campaign Activity Chairman, for a full list of activities. I continue to encourage you to volunteer your time to work on these campaigns. If you would like to know more about what volunteering to work



CFRW UPCOMING DATES MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



- September 9....10:30 AM Social
11:00 AM Meeting
Hearthstone Country Club
Houston, Texas 77095
- September 13....Copperfield Women's Club
Craft Show
Lone Star College
- September 16...Greater Houston Council
9:30 AM, 10:00 Program
Justice Dale Wainwright
Texas Supreme Court
- September 24....Community Partner's Day
Lone Star College

on campaigns is all about give Pam or me a call. We will be happy to help you get involved!

We have very important business to attend to at the September meeting. We will be electing a Nominating Committee to draw up a slate of CFRW Club Officers for the 2009-2010 term of office. I ask that each of you consider holding a position as an Officer on the Board. All six positions will become available and it would greatly assist the Nominating Committee to know who would be open to serving in each of those positions. We will have a Board Officer Interest Form available to be completed by any club member who would consider serving. A copy of the form is also in the newsletter if you wish to print it out and bring it to the meeting that would be great. The slate of nominees will be presented at the October meeting. And, the election will be held at the November meeting.

I hope to see you all on September 9th.

Later, Kay



SEPTEMBER MEETING



Tuesday, September 9, 2008

Time: 10:30 AM - Coffee/Social
11:00 AM - Speaker/Meeting

Place: HEARTHSTONE COUNTRY CLUB
7615 Ameswood Road
Houston, Texas

Luncheon Selections:

Choice #1: Cobb Salad with grilled chicken (dressing on the side and roll)

Choice #2: Grilled Chicken with avocado sandwich with ranch fries

Cookie or Brownie for dessert

RSVP:

No later than Monday, September 8th

Online at www.cfrw.net

or

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PROGRAM

Bill Moore, Candidate for Judge - Criminal District Court - 174th District Court

We are happy to welcome Judge Bill Moore as our speaker for this month's meeting. Please see the next page for more information about him.



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PROGRAM



Judge Bill Moore has become someone CFRW feel like we can call “our own” since we have gotten an opportunity to get to know and visit with him. At our September meeting, we now have a special chance to have him talk to us about the nine criminal district court benches that are on the November ballot, why voters should be concerned about them, and discuss the background of several of the candidates.

Bill was hired by District Attorney Johnny Holmes in 1988, and has served as a Harris County Assistant District Attorney for the past 20 years. During those 20 years he has tried over 100 jury trials, served as the Deputy Chief of the Misdemeanor Division, and served as a Special Crimes Prosecutor handling hundreds of complex financial fraud and organized crime cases.

As a Chief Prosecutor assigned to the Trial Bureau, he has prosecuted many high profile murder and capital murder cases. Bill has served as the Chief Prosecutor in the 180th District Court, the 351st District Court, and currently serves as the Chief Prosecutor in the 232nd District Court.

In March Bill won a contested Republican Primary Election and April Run-off Election to replace retiring Criminal District Court Judge George Godwin in the 174th District Court, and will be on the ballot in the upcoming November General Election.

All of the judge’s races often get much less media attention but these are critical positions for our everyday lives. Invite your friends and neighbors to hear Judge Moore talk about these very important contested places on the ballot.



THANK YOU NOTE



To The Entire Cy-Fair Republican Women’s Club

Your invitation was a dream come true. To have the opportunity to share my vision with such a fine group of patriots can only be labeled as a blessing from the Lord. The outpouring of acceptance and kinship felt so genuine and heartfelt. It’s my hope that each attendee was encouraged, was inspired, and felt that their desires for our country to return to its founding principles of liberty can truly become a reality.

Let this email serve as my expression of gratitude to the entire club and not just the leadership. I say a sincere “thank you”! It’s my prayer that the Lord Jesus blesses your club, your efforts, your coffers, and each of your families.

May the Lord Jesus bless each of us, the state of Texas, and the United States of America.

Working for Christ & country,

Apostle Claver T. Kamau-Imani <>< Job 36:11





MINUTES

CY-FAIR REPUBLICAN WOMEN GENERAL MEETING

August 12, 2008

After a forty-five minute social gathering and delicious snacks, President Kay Waghorne called the meeting of the Cy-Fair Republican Women club to order at 7:15 p.m. at the home of Jan and Bill Ott. Chaplain Alice McDill gave the invocation and led the group in prayer followed by the United States Pledge of Allegiance and the pledge to the Texas flag. Kay welcomed members and guests. Kay thanked our hostess for inviting us to her lovely home and the hospitality committee for providing the refreshments.

Membership Chairman, Kelli Ray, introduced Roxanne and Bill Moore who is a judicial candidate for the 174th Criminal District Court in Harris County, and Ed Hubbard who is a judicial candidate for the First Court of Appeals, Place 3.

Secretary Betty Guthrie announced that the minutes for the July 2, 2008 general meeting were published in the August issue of the CFRW Newsletter. Members approved the minutes as published.

Treasurer Dawn Shull reported a balance of about \$12,300 in the treasury.

Mary Moss, Ways and Means Chairman, announced that CFRW will be selling items at the Copperfield Women's Craft Show on September 13, 2008, in conjunction with the CFRW Voter Registration Drive. Items including the new McCain caps were available for sale at the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Jan Ott introduced the first of our guest speakers, Apostle Claver T. Kamau-Imani, host of The Christian Politician radio show (Saturdays, noon, on KCOH Radio 1430 AM). He presented a very energizing talk about conversion politics, stressing the need to go out and seek voters for the Republican Party especially from minority groups.

Emily Klein introduced Congressman John Culberson, US House of Representatives, District 7, as our Key Note Speaker of the evening. He spoke about the need for Republican candidates and officials to stand up for the conservative principles and agenda. He emphasized taking fiscal responsibility and focusing primarily on the basic essentials of the needs of the country. Both speakers answered questions from the attendees.

Door prize drawings were held. The winners were Alice McDill and Joy Gregory. Socializing continued afterwards.

Betty Guthrie
Secretary
CFRW





WAYS AND MEANS - Mary Moss



SAVE THE DATE! SEPTEMBER 13, 2008 - 9 TO 4

CFRW has reserved booth space at the Copperfield Women's Club Craft show on Saturday, September 13 from 9 am to 4 pm being held at Lonestar College.

We will be selling our *Life of the Party* Cookbooks, Peter Barnes Books, and other Republican stuff. We will also be taking Voter Registrations and hopefully drum up interest in our club and some new members! We will need to have at least three people there at all times - one of which needs to be a deputized voter registrant.

We will have a sign up sheet at the September meeting or let me know if you can help out.

For Sale - McCain Items

We have gotten several different styles of McCain campaign lapel pins and caps. Please support our Republican candidate (and our club)!

Peter Barnes Books

We have plenty of these wonderful children's books. These make great gifts for the kids in your lives - children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Or make a donation to a school or church library. what a fun way to educate our children about this great nation and how our system works.

Autographed books are \$18 each. Or get all five autographed titles for \$90

CFRW Denim Shirts and T-shirts

I have a new batch of red t-shirts at the June meeting. CFRW has lots of events coming up that you will want to be sporting our CFRW apparel. Check with me at the Spetember meeting to purchase your shirts.

Mary



CARING FOR AMERICA - Cheryl Mills



ATTENTION ALL PATRIOTS!

Please show your national pride following our September 9th meeting by spending an hour in support of our troops. We will be providing a demonstration on both knitting and crocheting caps for our soldiers to wear under their helmets for comfort. You need not bring a thing but true American Spirit – we will provide yarn, needles and instructions. When you see how much fun you can have, you will want to continue and help your Republican Women's Club make more caps than any other group in Texas! Let's all come for our September meeting and plan to stay for a little craft party after lunch. See you there!

Cheryl Mills





BY-LAWS REVISIONS



By-Laws Revisions

Cy-Fair ladies, please look over the suggested changes to our by-laws. The club by-laws must be approved not only by our club, but, also by TFRW. There are some requirements that all Texas Federated clubs must include. The proposed changes are to bring our by-laws into compliance with these requirements plus some clarifications that the by-laws committee recommends. Below are only the portions of the by-laws that include any changes. These will also be presented at the next meeting and will be voted on at the October meeting. As you all know, the complete by-laws are in your club membership book. We ask you to review these changes before the next meeting and if you see anything else that we need to discuss we can do that at the next meeting.

By-Laws Committee,
Jan Ott, Barbara Dorsey, Mary Moss

Article III - Policy

Section 1. PAC

This club shall be a Political Action Committee and registered as such with the Texas Ethics Commission.

The following 5 items have been renumbered to allow for the insertion of item #1.

Section 12. Candidate Endorsement:

This organization, its president,(no change)

Section 23. Working For a Candidate:

Individual members of this organization,(no change)

Section 34. Endorsement Exemption:

This article pertains only to contests between Republican candidates for public office.(no change)

Section 45. Controversial Issues:

This organization and its officers shall not issue statements or pass resolutions(no change)

Section 65. Lobbying

There shall be no lobbying with Legislators using the name of the Texas Federation(no change)

Article IV - Membership

Section 1. Eligibility:

Any ~~woman~~ U.S. citizen believing in the philosophy of the Republican Party and intending to support Republican Candidates and believing in the objectives of this organization shall be eligible for membership.

Section 2. Classification of Membership:

- a) Active Member: An Active Member is a woman who meets the eligibility(no change)
- b) Associate Member: An Associate Member is an active member of another ~~TFRW Club~~ Republican Women's organization who wishes to join this organization as an Associate Member by paying the required annual dues for Associate Members. She cannot hold office, vote or be counted for the purpose of determining the number of delegates to national or state federation meetings or conventions.
- c) Supporting Member: A ~~man~~ person may become a Supporting Member and be listed on ~~our~~ the club roster by paying the required annual dues for Supporting Members. A Supporting Member is *ex officio*, without voice or vote and shall not hold elected or appointed office. Supporting Members shall not be listed on the roster sent to the Texas Federation of Republican Women or National Federation of Republican Women.

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Section 4. Annual Service Charges:

This organization shall ~~also~~ pay the annual service charges required by the Texas Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women.....

Article VII - Nominations and Elections

Section 1. Nominating Committee:

A nominating committee of not less than three and not more than five ~~members~~ Active Members, at least three of whom shall not be a member of the Executive Board, shall be elected by the membership at the September meeting of every even-numbered year. The Nominating Committee shall elect its chairman from one of its own number and shall report one nominee for each office at the October meeting of every even-numbered year.



A government big enough to give you everything you want, is strong enough to take everything you have. - Thomas Jefferson



MEMBERSHIP - Kelli Ray



Attention CFRW Members:

November is inching closer and closer....time to invite friends/family and allow them an opportunity to get involved with our club!

As a member of Cy-Fair Republican Women, our organization objectives are:

To promote an informed electorate through political education.

To increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through active political participation.

To facilitate cooperation among Republican Women's Organizations.

To foster loyalty to the Republican Party and to promote its principles, and candidates in all elections including non-partisan elections.

To work for the election of the Republican Party's nominees.

Let's do our part and rally!



CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES - Pam Waldren



September marks the beginning of a busier season for CFRW as the election season gets closer upon us. We have several Voter Registration events this month, the first being attending the Copperfield Women's Club on Saturday, September 13. This should be a fun way to register local women in the area and be a part of the Women's Club event. We will also be registering voters at Community Partner's Day, sponsored and held at Lone Star College on Barker-Cypress Rd. on Wed., September 24 from 11 - 1. If you haven't done this before, please join your fellow CFRW members and be a part of our country's election process. It is an honor to be a part of the Democratic process and lots of fun too! CFRW will also be block walking for several local Republican candidates over the next several months. Please look for emails from me for updates.

Pam Waldren





Cy-Fair Republican Women's Interest Survey 2009-2010 Club Officer Positions

Please indicate ALL of the club officer positions that you would be interested in holding for the 2009-2010 term of office. If there is one that you would prefer note that also. But please list any you would consider.

____ **The President** shall preside at all meetings of the organization and the Executive Board. She shall appoint chairmen of all standing and special committees with the approval of the Executive Board, shall appoint a parliamentarian, shall serve *ex officio* as a member of all committees except the Nominating Committee, and shall have general supervision of the work of the organization.

____ **The 1st Vice President** shall perform the duties of the President whenever the President is absent or otherwise unable to serve. She shall serve as **Program Chairman** and perform such other duties as the President or Executive Committee or Board of Directors may designate.

____ **The 2nd Vice President** shall assume the duties of President in the absence of the President and 1st Vice President. She shall serve as **Ways & Means Chairman**.

____ **The 3rd Vice President** shall serve as **Newsletter Editor** and shall be responsible for publication of the newsletter.

____ **The Secretary** shall keep a factual and unbiased record of the proceedings of all meetings of the organization and the Executive Board, shall prepare the correspondence of the organization, shall have custody of all records pertinent thereto and shall perform such additional duties as may be required of the office.

____ **The Treasurer** shall receive and is custodian of all funds of the organization and shall pay all bills upon authorization by the President. The Treasurer shall keep an account of all monies received and disbursed and shall give a report at each regular meeting of the organization to the membership. She shall make timely membership submissions and payments to the Texas Federation of Republican Women. She shall ensure that adequate records are kept to satisfy the requirements of the Texas Ethics Commission and Texas election laws, and shall file all reports required by them in a timely fashion. She shall submit her financial records to the internal review committee for an end of the year review no later than January 20.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

This form will be provided to the Nominating Committee for their consideration. Thanks for your interest.

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Greater Houston Council of Federated Republican Women

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Important links:

<http://www.CFRW.net> - Cy-Fair Republican Women

<http://thomas.loc.gov/> - Texts of bills are updated several times a day.

<http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/> - Updates on what is going on in the Texas legislature.

<http://www.texaspolicy.com/> - The Texas Public Policy Foundation produces academically sound research on important issues.

<http://www.ghcrwpac.org> – Greater Houston Council

<http://www.tfrw.org> – Texas Federation of Republican Women

<http://www.sos.state.tx.us> - Texas Secretary of State web site offers more information on proposed constitutional amendments.

