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Rita's Reflections

There was an astonishing video on RealClearPolitics last week in which Representative Jesse Jackson Jr. was addressing Congress. His comments sum up the caliber of elected officials in the Democratic Party. Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr. (D-IL), is blaming iPad for "eliminating thousands of American jobs". This realization came to Jesse Jackson after purchasing an iPad and using it.

"Now Borders is closing stores because, why do you need to go to Borders anymore? Why do you need to go to Barnes & Noble? Buy an iPad and download your book, download your newspaper, download your magazine," Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr. (D-IL, Chicago) said on the House floor Friday afternoon.

Ironically, it was only last month that Rep. Jackson was singing the praises of Apple and Kindle. He actually stated that iPad was revolutionizing the country and changing how our children are educated. He even went so far as to suggest that there should be an iPad for every student. How would this happen? He suggested we amend the Constitution so it guarantees every American the right to an equal education; meaning that Congress would be given the discretion to implement reforms for an iPad, Nook or Kindle to be provided for every

schoolchild. Really? Does he even hear the words come out of his mouth? Maybe it doesn't matter to him as long as it's asking for something for nothing.

So one week Mr. Jackson would like to give everyone an iPad and the next week they are evil. It's not fair that everyone doesn't have one then no one should. We should reject new technology until we make sure it is given to everyone. If his solutions to our economic problems include stopping technical advancement then how many people would be put out of work in this industry? Why would you pick on one of the most successful types of businesses and demonize it to use as an excuse of why others are losing their jobs? The technology industry is one of the few where jobs are still in high demand and there are also many offshoots of this technology that create other jobs such as designing software and accessories for an iPad and other digital devices.

Paper technologies are outdated. As soon as something like a textbook has been printed and is ready for distribution it is already outdated. Digital information can be updated as needed and can link up to current information. Books are expensive to produce and kill trees. Even newspapers are hardly read these days and most of the savvy publishers have gone online to keep current. The fact is that the use of an iPad and other notebook type devices

saves the use of paper to produce information for society and therefore eliminates the loss of millions of trees. Doesn't that fit in with the green technology, which is part of their platform? Make up your mind!

Another of his arguments was that book companies like Borders are being run out of business by these digital devices. Borders never was as popular as Barnes and Nobles who has introduced their Nook to keep up with the notebook market. There have been many other businesses that have faded away when technical advancements made them unnecessary. One example would be record albums; doesn't everyone have digital music now? How about cars, cell phones and even computers? Society adapts to change and will figure out a way to make new technology invent new jobs that are related to it.

Maybe the real idea here is to halt anything which advances our economy and cripple our production further so there is no chance of our country recovering. Keep us in debt and dependent on our so efficient government to help us out. "Socialism" would be the name to call this or maybe "Stupidity".

(To see both of these videos search: jesse jackson jr. ipad)

~Rita Parrish



CFRW Upcoming Dates - Mark Your Calendars!



May 2nd-5th
Wash D.C.

TFRW Road Trip
"On The Road Again..."

June 17th
9:30-11:00am

Greater Houston Council
Sosa Community Center

May 10th
10:30-1:00pm

Membership Drive Meeting
Guest Borah Van Dormolen

Oct. 14th
TBD

High Heels & High Tea
Raveneaux Country Club

June 14th
10:30-1:00pm

General CFRW Meeting
Speaker Toni Anne Dashiell



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MAY MEETING MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Tuesday, May 10, 2011

*Featuring Retired Lt. Colonel
Borah Van Dormolen
National Republican Committeewoman, TX*

Carrabba's Italian Grill
7540 N. Highway 6
Houston, TX 77095
(Copperfield Area)



10:30 a.m. - Coffee/Social
11:00 a.m. - Speaker/Meeting
12:00 p.m. - Lunch

Lunch \$15 - Meeting only \$3 (cash/check)

Menu: Sirloin Marsala with asparagus, Italian Salad, Dessert Rosa
(Vegetarian meals are available with advanced notice)

RSVP by Friday, May 6, 2011

Online at www.cfrw.net

E-mail: pwroses@sbcglobal.net

Ph: 281-859-6162

CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES

Joy Gregory

WHAT CAN I COUNT AS CAMPAIGN HOURS?

1. Fundraisers and Special Events for Republican Women Clubs
 - a. Planning, preparing and conducting & travel time
 - b. Campaign rallies to advance Republican philosophy and policies
2. Training Seminars/Workshops
 - a. Planning, preparing, organizing, conducting, participating
 - b. May include travel time
3. Time spent on completing duties of your office in the club
 - a. Presenting program or speeches at Clubs including civic clubs
 - b. Administrative, mailings, clerical
 - c. Committee meetings
4. Board meetings + Travel time
5. You may count travel time to and from regular meetings, but not the meeting time.
6. Precinct chair, election judge, election workers cannot count paid time, unless they donate the money to the club or back to county.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS
ARE REPORTED TO THE
CARING FOR AMERICA
CHAIR.





Cy-Fair Republican Women

2011 Membership Application

DATE: _____ OFFICE USE: IN PERSON MAIL

PRINT FIRST AND LAST NAME:

| CONTACT INFORMATION | PUBLISH IN DIRECTORY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
|--|---|
| Home Address: | Cell Number: |
| City, ST Zip Code: | Work Number: |
| Precinct #: | Home Number: |
| Occupation: <i>(Required for PAC Report)</i> | Email Address: |
| Title: | Spouse Name: |
| BEST WAY TO REACH YOU | NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL? YES: <input type="checkbox"/> NO: <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cell: <input type="checkbox"/> Work: <input type="checkbox"/> Home: <input type="checkbox"/> Email: <input type="checkbox"/> | HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US? |

CFRW REFERRALS – WOULD YOU LIKE SOMEONE TO KNOW ABOUT US?

| Name | Email Address | Tel #: | Newsletter by Email: | Relationship to New Member |
|------|---------------|--------|----------------------|----------------------------|
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MEMBER TYPE

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|---------------|--|---------|--------------------------|
| Name Badge | <input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement | \$15.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Active | <input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | \$30.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Associate | (Members of another club) <input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | \$20.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Associate Man | (Men) <input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | \$35.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> |

GETTING INVOLVED! - - CHECK OFF A MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN

| | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campaign Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legislation | <input type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historian | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input type="checkbox"/> Contact me with more information on activities at CFRW |

Please list talents/skills you possess: (Computer skills, presentation/speaking, meeting/event planning, etc.)

Please make check payable to **Cy-Fair Republican Women** **Total Amount Due:**

Mail check and this form to: Please circle Cash or enter Check #:

Betty Guthrie Date Received:

12306 Francel Ln.

Cypress, TX 77429

For more information regarding membership, please contact Betty Guthrie: 281-370-3956 (Home)



MINUTES

General Meeting

April 12, 2011

President, Rita Parrish called the meeting to order at 11:09 a.m. Chaplain, Kay Waghorne gave the invocation and led us in the pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags. Membership Chairman, Betty Guthrie welcomed our guests – Ella Edmiston, with State Rep. Patricia Harless' office, Mary Ann Kilgore, Megan Annecharico and Kelli Ray, with State Rep. Gary Elkin's office and Suzanne Davis ESD # 9 Commissioner.

Jessica Colon, former chair of Young Republicans and currently with Colon & Co. directing campaigns, encouraged us all to be empowered to be "on the bench" for Republican leadership and campaign support.

Officer's Reports

The minutes from the March 8, 2011 regular meeting were approved as printed in the April Newsletter.

Treasurer, Barbara Buxton reported that as of March 31, 2011 we had a balance of \$7,227.62; and the balance in our Scholarship Fund of \$1,702.57

2nd Vice President, Suzanne Davis, reminded everyone that she has t-shirts, denim shirts, cookbooks, and Peter Barnes books for sale. Plans for High Heels and High Tea are moving along. The committee will meet after today's meeting.

3rd Vice President, Melissa Ronquillo stated that the deadline for articles for the May Newsletter is Monday, April 18, 2011. She reminded everyone to take a few of

the note cards on the table about the May meeting to give to potential guests.

Membership Chair, Betty Guthrie reported that as of today we have 55 regular members, 5 associate members, and 2 associate men. If any of you need a name tag, please see her. May's regular, meeting, May 10, will be our annual Membership Drive. Our guest speaker will be Borah Van Dormolen. Betty encouraged everyone to bring a guest(s) to this event. There will be a prize for the member who brings the most guests, a prize for the member with the most number of guests that join, and a prize for the guest. Let Betty know if you can help out with the preparations.

Campaign Activities, Joy Gregory, explained her handout on "What can I Count as Campaign Hours?" Also provided was a flyer with information on times and locations for Deputy Voter Registrar training. Training is available April 30, 10:45 am, at the Tomball College and Community Library, or on line at

<http://www.hctax.net/Voter/Deputy/acknowledge.aspx>.

Caring for America, Debby Freiden suggested another item that OI can use – condiment packets from restaurants. She also passed around an envelope to collect personal checks for donations to OI.

Old Business

High Heels and High Tea will be held at Raveneaux Country Club, Friday, October 14, 2011. If you'd like to help, see Suzanne Davis

New Business

We are hosting a booth at the CYFEN Expo, Thursday, April 28, 11-2. Anyone who would like to

come and help set-up be there at 9:15 am.

Rita asked everyone to take note of the dates to remember. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Traci Sarradet
Secretary



"Yesterday the greatest question was decided which was ever debated in America; and a greater perhaps never was, nor will be, decided among men. A resolution was passed without one dissenting colony, that those United Colonies are, and of right out to be, free and independent states."

~John Adams~



"Statesmen may plan and speculate for liberty, but it is religion and morality alone which can establish the principles upon which freedom can securely stand."

~John Adams~



MEMBERSHIP

Betty Guthrie



*Share the
Vision...
Join the
Republican
Women*

CY-FAIR

REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S MEMBERSHIP DRIVE MEETING

Tuesday, May 10, 2011

10:30AM

Carrabba's Italian Grill

7540 Hwy. 6N

Meeting only - \$3.00

Meeting & Lunch - \$15.00

**SPEAKER: 'BORAH VAN DORMOLEN
REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE-
WOMAN**

NOW is the time to invite your friends and neighbors to our annual Membership Drive Meeting and Lunch. Prizes will be awarded to the member who brings the most guests and to the member who has the most guests joining CFRW. A drawing for guests only, as well as favors for all!

We have planned a program not to be missed! Our speaker, 'Borah Van Dormolen, will be informative, entertaining and motivational! **Reservations are required** using the Web site (www.cfrw.net) by noon, Friday, May 6th.

CFRW welcomes back member **CLARISA CHAVEZ** and new member **MARY ANN KILGORE**. We look forward to your participation and appreciate your support!

A Membership Application is included in this newsletter for your convenience. A form is also available online at www.cfrw.net. Please download a copy, complete the form and mail it with your check payable to CFRW to the Membership Chairman or bring it with you to the next meeting. Share the form with family and friends!

Programs

Millie Alford

Summer is fast approaching! Remind everyone that a great way to stay cool on the second Tuesday of the month is to meet with CFRW for a refreshing time to learn and socialize with some awesome Republican Women.

What a great program Jessica Colón presented at our meeting for April. In spite of a few kinks in our day, we managed to accommodate our members and host a super lunch and an informative time with Jessica. A special thanks to Jan who suggested we contact Jessica. By the way, if any of our members have suggestions for guests, please let me know and I will do my best to match our needs with their talents.

May is our membership drive. We have a very special guest, Retired Lt. Colonel Borah Van Dormolen. What a treat!

Last October during the annual military retiree's celebration at Fort Hood, Borah was recognized as a Distinguished Military Retiree for her outstanding contributions to the community, retirees' families and their survivors and for honorable service to the country.

Borah is currently serving as a National Republican Committee Woman, as well as president of the Salado Area Republican Women. Two years ago she served as president of the Texas Federation of Republican Women. She is a super speaker and has a sense of humor that will keep us on the edge of our seats.

Our meeting will be a pleasure for everyone, so be sure and invite your family and friends. She will share memories, current events, and let us know where the Republican Party is headed. Borah is a true leader in our party and it will be our pleasure to hear her speak at our Membership Drive Meeting.



- Borah Van Dormolen, Retired Lt. Colonel Army National Republican Committee Woman

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IMPORTANT LINKS:

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

<http://www.ghcfrwpac.org> - Greater Houston Council

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

<http://www.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

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