



# Cy-Fair Republican Women Newsletter

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How do we bring about change in our county, state and nation? "Change" begins with you and me. All of us have said "I want to become more involved" or "I want to make a difference." Let's begin this year by learning all we can about participating in making the Republican Party a viable organization that truly represents each and every American citizen. How can we as individuals help in forming the state and national platform?

One very important way is to participate in the primary election that is scheduled to take place on March 4, 2014. This sounds simple, however, this involves more than just showing up at the polls and casting a ballot. How many of you have participated in a Precinct Convention? A Precinct Convention is generally held on Election Day at your polling site. The Convention is held shortly after the polls close and voting is finished. The time and the place of the Convention are posted at the entrance of each polling place.

The rules that govern the Convention allow for the Precinct Chair to serve as the Temporary Convention Chair. The purpose of the Convention is the election of a Permanent Chair and

## FEBRUARY 11, 2014 GENERAL MEETING

**TIME: 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM**

**LOCATION:**

**LONGWOOD GOLF CLUB,  
13300 LONGWOOD TRACE**

**SPEAKERS:**

**LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR  
CANDIDATES CONFIRMED**

**JERRY PATTERSON  
DAN PATRICK  
TODD STAPLES**

**\*DAVID DEWHURST\***  
Is not yet confirmed

Secretary, the adoption of resolutions to be forwarded to the Senate District Convention, and the election of delegates and alternates to the Senate District Convention. The number of delegates and alternates is set by state party rules and is based on a ratio of one delegate and one alternate delegate to a designated number of votes cast in the precinct in the preceding gubernatorial election.

It's important that we as Republican Women return to our precincts for these Conventions. The grassroots begin here. This is our opportunity to send the delegates and alternates we pick to the Senate District Convention and to put forth resolutions we would like to see in the State and National Platform. We do have a voice but we have to be

willing to make sure we are heard. By not attending these Conventions, we are letting others make the choice for us.

Delegates and Alternates will then attend the Senate District Convention that will be held on a designated Saturday in their area. The purpose of the SDC is to elect permanent officers, adopt Convention rules, pass resolutions and forward them to the State Convention, and elect delegates and alternates to the State Convention. At the Convention each precinct will be assigned a seating area and will be responsible for electing a designated number of delegates and alternates to represent them at the State Convention. Some members will also be appointed as at-large delegates to attend the State Convention in June.

The next step in the Convention Process is the State Convention and ultimately the National Convention in presidential election years. At each level delegates to the next level are chosen, but it all begins at the Precinct Conventions. If you truly want to be more involved and have more input into the running of our great country, you will attend and participate in every step of the coming elections. I hope to see a large number of our ladies attending the State Convention. Remember you have to attend the Precinct and Senate District Conventions to get to the State Convention. ALL THE WAY TO STATE ladies of CFRW!

~ KEEP TEXAS RED ~





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**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE - February 11<sup>th</sup>!** Our General Meeting for February will also be our annual drive to increase our numbers. This being an election year, I know that many of you want to make a difference. Here is what you can do:



**INVITE**, Invite, Invite--your friends, family and neighbors! By increasing our numbers, we increase our influence in our communities, our state and our country.

**KEEP TEXAS RED** -- a priority that none of us can turn our backs on. Early voting for Primary Election starts February 21<sup>st</sup>. Primary Election is March 4<sup>th</sup>. Yes, that is just a few weeks away so get to know the candidates at the many Candidate Forums around Harris County. Our Forum is February 4<sup>th</sup>! Don't miss it!

**STAND WITH GOP**—of course we have our varying opinions on certain issues yet at the end of the day, if we don't elect Republican candidates, where can we move? Stand! Act! Vote!

**RENEW**--Print out the 2014 Membership Application and bring it with your dues to the February meeting. **Everyone** is required by Texas Ethics Commission to complete an application each year. If you are a candidate, we want you to join us! We want to have every opportunity to get to know you in the next few months prior to November Election Day. You may bring your campaign literature and signs. Send a representative if you can't make it. PLEASE RSVP.

**New Members:** Active—Cinda Clark, Nancy Foley, Edith Gibson (was AW), Katie Hutson, Jennifer Naedler, and Gail Schubot; Associate Women—Sheri Dean and Dawn Fobbs; Associate Men—Alex Handley and Nasir Malik.

**Renewals in January:** Active—Millie Alford, Lois Barclay, Alice Bennett, Mary Kay Brady, Jeannie Broussard, Barbara Buxton, Suzanne Davis, Sharon Edwards, Debra Frieden, Joy Gregory, Frances Grottie, Betty Guthrie, Paulette Harris, Dean Hastings, Micheline Hutson, Karen Listi, Vivian Marlatt, Willa Matthews, Darcy Mingoia, Mary Moss, Jan Ott, Rita Parrish, Nancy Roberts, Melissa Ronquillo, Margaret Seaton, Judith Stokes, Sarah (Matthews) Thomas, Wanda Threadgill, Sandra Vinklarek, Kay Waghorne, and Beth Weaver; Associate Women—Patricia Harless, Carolyn Hodges, Renee Magee and Associate Men—Chris Daniel, John Harris, Bob Janusaitis, Paul Simpson and Kelly Waterman. Don't think that because this list is long that we **don't need you!**

**JOIN/RENEW today!** I'll see you on February 11<sup>th</sup> at Longwood Golf Club! RSVP to [www.cfrw.net](http://www.cfrw.net) by 2/7/14.



## CFRW \* FEBRUARY 11TH GENERAL MEETING

Cy-Fair Republican Women have planned a very informative meeting for February. All four candidates running for Lt. Governor of Texas have been invited. At least three of the four candidates will be present and speak to our community of their qualifications, past experience and their vision for what they hope to accomplish while in office. The following, in ballot order, are confirmed to attend.



*Dan Patrick became the Texas SD 7 Senator in 2007. He is the Chair of the Senate Education Committee and serves on a total of six committees including some of the most important committees in the Senate: Finance, Transportation, Higher Education, Redistricting and Criminal Justice.*



*Douglas Todd Staples is the current Republican Commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture. Prior to his election in 2006 as agriculture commissioner, Staples had served in both houses of the Texas State Legislature.*



*Jerry Patterson is the Commissioner of the General Land Office of Texas and a former Texas State Senator. He is the second Republican since Reconstruction to serve as Land Commissioner, a post he has held since 2003. He served in the Texas State Senate from 1993 to 1999.*

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## Meeting Minutes ~ Vivian Marlatt, Secretary

Cy-Fair Republican Women Regular Meeting Minutes - January 14, 2014

President, **Joy Gregory** called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. **Dean Hastings** gave the invocation and led us in the pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags. President, **Joy Gregory**, welcomed our guests, candidates, and elected officials or their representatives.

Program Chair, **Barbara Buxton**, introduced Ms. Missy Shorey, with Maggie's List. Ms. Shorey gave us a presentation explaining what Maggie's list was, how the organizations operated and their goals.

### Officers' Reports

Treasurer, **Mary Moss** asked that all receipts should be turned in for reimbursement during the reporting period expenses were accrued.

1st Vice-President, **Barbara Buxton** announced the speakers for the February General meeting would include the candidates for Lt. Governor – Todd Staples, Jerry Patterson and Dan Patrick.

### Committee Reports

Membership Chairman, **Nancy Roberts** reported that as of today we have 33 renewals which is 30% of our membership. Renewals must be submitted by March 2014. She also announced seven associate men members and four new active members joined.

Joy Gregory announced in the absence of Campaign Activities Chairman, **Suzanne Davis** asked that everyone fill in the "Hours Cards" for any hours you spent on CFRW duties or events.

### Old Business

Rita Parrish presented the December door prizes.

Joy Gregory recognized Vivian Marlatt as the new secretary.

### New Business

Joy Gregory asked for volunteers to assist for the Financial Review Committee. Nancy Roberts and Micheline Hutson volunteered. Judie Stokes made the motion to nominate Nancy and Micheline; Betty Collins seconded the motion. All voted yeah and motion was

approved by general membership.

Joy Gregory announced the leadership training 'Nuts & Bolts' available in February.

### Dates to remember

January 16, 2014 - Board Meeting, 10:00 a.m., Hearthstone

January 20, 2014 – Newsletter deadline

January 21, 2014 – Greater Houston Council, 9:30 a.m. Sosa Center

January 25, 2014 – Leadership Conference, Austin

February 18, 2014 – Nuts and Bolts, Sosa Center

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Vivian Marlatt



## *Cy-Fair Republican Women* CANDIDATE FORUM 2014

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4th**

**6:00 PM To 9:00 PM**

**Longwood Golf Club**

**13300 Longwood Trace**

**Cypress 77429**

**AN AVENUE FOR INFORMING  
CONCERNED CONSTITUENTS  
OF CANDIDATES' PLATFORMS,  
PROPOSALS, AND IDEAS  
ABOUT LOCAL ISSUES.**

**LISTEN, LEARN, AND MAKE  
INFORMED DECISIONS  
PRIOR TO THE PRIMARY ELECTION.**

*Participating Candidates to be  
announced - watch for details.*





# January 2014 Event Photos

## ~~~~ General Membership Meeting, January 14th, 2014 ~~~~ Longwood Country Club



**President Joy Gregory welcomes Ms. Missy Storey, of Maggie's List, who shared interesting information about their organization at our January Membership Meeting.**



**Setting up our Information Table  
Left to Right: Ms. Barbara Buxton, Dr. Millie Alford  
and President Joy Gregory**



**Above: (seated) Ms. Phyllis Wilson and  
(standing) Ms. Perky Savage**



**Above: (standing) Ms. Donna Anderson  
and (seated) Ms. Betty Guthrie**

## ~ Paul Simpson for Harris County GOP Chair - New Campaign Headquarters Grand Opening ~



**L-R: Ms. Jan Ott, Mr. Paul Simpson and Ms. Rita Parrish**

**Event was Held  
Saturday, January 18th  
Noon til 2pm  
1739 Wirt Road  
Houston, TX 77055**

**Paul Simpson speaks to a full house  
of supporters for his campaign.**





## WAYS AND MEANS - DR. MILLIE ALFORD

"If Winter comes, can spring be far behind?" (Ode to the West Wind, Shelley) I realize Spring won't be here for a couple more months, but as I gazed out on the foggy morning, this poem came to mind. It also reminded me that since March is getting closer, we all need to vote in the Primary and let our conservative voices be heard, loud and clear. CFRW has consistently taken our voting responsibility seriously. Our members are to be commended for all the efforts put forth to get out the vote, work on voter registration, and offer ways for the public to learn about our candidates. Such an effort is our forum that is coming up very soon. I hope that everyone will connect for this important occasion.

Our primary Ways & Means efforts have been realized as we've completed the tallies for the High Heels and High Tea Luncheon and have slotted money for our budget, fulfilling the categories which will receive funds. Once again, what a success it was!

If you need a red bling shirt, or a denim shirt with our logo, please call or email me and I'll make sure you get it. [mcaphd@yahoo.com](mailto:mcaphd@yahoo.com). We try to wear our shirts to show unity and they are great advertisers for our club. Just a reminder to anyone who has kids or Grandkids, the Peter Barnes books are great for explaining how our Government works, and has beautiful artwork.

Our membership drive is coming up soon, and when a new member joins, she will receive one of our great cookbooks. We'll also be giving away cookbooks as door prizes, so be sure to be there so you'll have a chance to win one. We all look forward to our candidate forum in February. Hope to see you there!

### A REQUEST FROM YOUR TREASURER

In case you were not aware, CFRW is considered a Political Action Committee (PAC) and as such, have to make periodic reports to the Texas Ethics Commission (TEC) that detail the money we take in and disburse. With the upcoming election cycle there are several additional reports that are required.

**In order to help me make these reports accurate, if you purchase anything for the club, please let me know as soon as possible (via email or phone call) the amount and address where the item was purchased.** If I am nearing one of the cut-off dates, we can make the necessary arrangements to get the receipts and other required information. Thanks for your help and cooperation! ~ Mary Moss, Treasurer

#### Upcoming cut-offs

January 23, February 22, March 31, April 30

### MEETINGS AND ATTENDANCE IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Currently we are required to give Longwood an estimated number of attending to allow them to prepare lunches for our monthly meetings. Our number is based on the number of RSVPs, we receive by the Friday preceding the meeting. If you RSVP and subsequently find you will be unable to attend, we need to be notified in advance. Otherwise we will have to charge the member for the ordered lunch.

**"One legislator accused me of having a nineteenth-century attitude on law and order. That is a totally false charge. I have an eighteenth-century attitude. That is when the Founding Fathers made it clear that the safety of law-abiding citizens should be one of the government's primary concerns."**

~ President Ronald Reagan



# Cy-Fair Republican Women

## 2014 Membership Application

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ OFFICE USE:  IN PERSON  MAIL/ EMAIL

**PRINT FIRST AND LAST NAME:**  
\_\_\_\_\_

<b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b>		<b>PUBLISH IN DIRECTORY?</b> <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:	
Position Title:		Spouse Name:	
<b>BEST WAY TO REACH YOU</b>		<b>NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL? YES: <input type="checkbox"/> NO: <input type="checkbox"/></b>	
Cell: <input type="checkbox"/> Work: <input type="checkbox"/> Home: <input type="checkbox"/> Email: <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?</b>	

CFRW REFERRALS – WOULD YOU LIKE SOMEONE TO KNOW ABOUT US?					
Name	Email Address	Tel #:	Newsletter by Email:		Relationship to New Member
			Y	N	
			Y	N	

MEMBER TYPE				
Name Badge Order	<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 Woman (Active member of which Rep. Women's club?)	<input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Associate Man	<input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	\$35.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	

GETTING INVOLVED! - - CHECK ANY MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU ARE INTERESTED:		
<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 <b>Cy-Fair Republican Women</b>	<b>Total Amount Due:</b>
<b>Mail check and this form to:</b> Nancy Roberts 16542 Village Drive Jersey Village, TX 77040	Please circle Cash or enter Check #:  Date Received:

For more information regarding membership, please contact Nancy Roberts at 713-466-4199

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**National Federation of Republican Women  
Texas Federation of Republican Women  
Greater Houston Council of Federated Republican Women**

**Affiliations:**

**ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED**



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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

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

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

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