



Cy-Fair Republican Women Newsletter

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Good Day! Isn't it an exciting time to be a Republican Woman!

I hope everyone saw the debate and is thinking about your choice for our nominee. As most of you know, I've been in Phoenix, AZ for the past week, and believe me, I've heard a LOT of opinions.

The National Federation of Republican Women Convention was held in Phoenix, AZ last week. Jan Ott, Rita Parrish, and I attended, along with my sister, Linda Bomar who attended as a Guest.

We were all impressed with the women who attended from all over the United States. We enjoyed all the amenities of the beautiful J.W. Marriott Resort and visited with many of the nearly 1400 women who attended. Did everything run smooth as silk? *No...* Were the lines long and did we have to walk miles and miles each day til our feet hurt? *Ye.s..* Did the overall experience grow us as individuals and Republican Women? *YES!* Did we come home ready to work for our party? *YES!*

From the moment we checked in until the last meeting on Sunday afternoon, the convention was filled with so much information, my brain was hurting. We met wonderful, hard-working, friendly women who love their country, love their clubs, and strive to make their organizations the best they can be. I feel like I've made some new friends for life.

AWARDS! We got awards! There were almost 500 awards received. Twenty-three states, including Texas received the highly coveted **Betty Heitman Award**. Campaign awards for most volunteer hours went to California, Texas, Tennessee, Arizona, New Mexico, and California.

NFRW members reported **4.3 million** campaign hours. The Yellow Rose of Texas Republican Women received a Caring for America award, and Ronda Lacy and the Lake Conroe Republican Women reported over 6,000 hours. Our Texas President, Jody Rushton won National Member-at-Large. **CFRW received the Diamond Award!** Carly Fiorina won the straw poll for Presidential Nominee! She deserved it! Her presentation to the convention was full of positive words of hope and encouragement. Her background in sales and her ability to communicate and articulate her message is awesome. She is tough and introduced herself with the comment, "Ladies, look at this face." She had 27% of the Straw Poll with 871 votes cast by registered attendees of the convention. Ted Cruz followed with 20%. Ben Carson had 17% and Donald Trump had 14%. Janet Huckabee represented her husband in a great speech about his accomplishments and the ability to "take on" the Clintons. Congresswoman Kay Granger spoke for Florida Governor Jeb Bush; Representative Mary Ann Janusa from Iowa, asked us to take a closer look and listen to John Kasich. Other notables were Arizona First Lady Angela Ducey, Arizona Governor Doug Ducey, Michele Reagan, Arizona Secretary of State, and RNC Co-Chair, Sharon Day. There were video comments from Donald Trump and Ben Carson. Our Texas President, Jody Rushton won National Member-at-Large. What a memorable event.

Nationally-recognized reporter and analyst Kellyanne Conway presented the polling results and gave an outstanding presentation commending Republican Women for their contribution of time and talent. The convention ended with a beautiful Prayer Breakfast on Sunday morning. We heard some beautiful music and a wonderful message from a great Southern Baptist Preacher, a delicious breakfast, and our hearts were touched as the names of our members who passed this last year were read. I do hope that everyone who can will attend the Texas state convention in Lubbock in November. I'll be there! ☺





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Dates to Remember



OCTOBER 2015
CFRW Main Event:
High Heels and High Tea
Friday, October 23rd

TIME:
10:30am til 2:00 pm

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- October 5th: Last Day to Register to Vote (November Election)
- October 6th: HH & HT Committee Meeting - 11:30 am Hearthstone CC
- October 19th - 30th: Early Voting (See Website Calendar for details)
- October 23rd: Last Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail (Received, not Postmarked)
- Tuesday, November 3rd, 2015: ELECTION DAY**
- November 4th - 7th: TFRW Convention - Lubbock, Texas
- November 11th: General Meeting (reservations by November 3rd)
- December 6th: Annual Christmas Social at Black Horse Golf Club



Membership ~ by Alice Bennett

Let us welcome the following:

New Active Members: Jennifer Naedlers, Margaret Miller

Renewal: Kay Waghorne

New Associate Member: Barbara Dorsey

Thank you to all 67 **Members** who have completed 2015 Memberships! The new counts for **Associate Women** is 7, and **Associate Men** is 6 as of 07/15/2015.

In November we will be taking Applications for 2016 for New Memberships and Renewals, Please visit www.cfrw.net for more information and for the application.

All new members will receive a binder and CFRW cookbook as a Thank You for joining our club!





Cy-Fair Republican Women

*Invite You to Our
Sixth Biennial*



Luncheon and Fashion Show

Moderators

*The Honorable Glenn Hegar and
State Representative Patricia Harless*

Guest Speaker

Speaker of the House Joe Straus

-  Lunch
-  Fashion Show
-  Auction
-  Vendor Showcase
-  Favors

Friday, October 23, 2015

Doors open at 10:30 AM for Auction preview and conversation

at Shirley Acres

217 Woerner Road, Houston, Texas 77090

Individual ticket price is \$75  Table sponsorships are also available

To request individual tickets, contact: Dr. Millie Alford at 214-315-6203/mcaphd@yahoo.com

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General Meeting Minutes - September 9, 2015 ~ by Vivian Marlett

President, **Dr. Millie Alford** began the meeting at 11:10 a.m. **Mary Ellen Harrington** gave the invocation and led us in the pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags, followed by the introduction of guests.

Jan Ott, 1st Vice-President, introduced our speaker, Carolyn Hodges, Immediate Past Present of Texas Federation of Republican Women.

The business meeting was called to order at 11:55 a.m.

Officers' Reports

The minutes from the July Regular Meeting were approved as printed in the August Newsletter.

1st Vice-President, **Jan Ott** announced Joe Strauss will be one of our the guest speakers at the High Heels and High Tea fundraiser in October. The November General Meeting program will be based around Social Media and how to use this effectively.

Treasurer, **Mary Moss** reported that as of May 31, 2015 we had a starting balance of \$14,379.00 and ending balance of \$25,272.87 as of August 31, 2015. CFRW Scholarship Fund has an ending balance of \$4,533.77 as of August 31, 2015.

Committee Reports

Membership Chair, **Alice Bennett** reported that as of May 11th we have 67 members, 7 associate women and 6 associate men, totaling 71. New members that joined are Jennifer Naedlers, Margaret Miller, Kay Waghome and Barbara Dorsey as an associate woman.

2nd Vice-President, **Millie Alford** for **Edith Gibson** put in a reminder to turn in the ticket stubs and monies from ticket sales for HH & HT. **Judie Stokes** shared the quilt that will be auctioned at HH & HT. Judie also is hosting a decorating event at her home October 14th for all members to attend.

Campaign Activities Chair, **Joy Gregory** reminded for everyone to turn in their volunteer hours. CFRW is hosting a voter registration drive and the "Shop to You Drop" event held at the Berry Center, September 12 and more volunteers are needed. On October 13th, CFRW will host another voter registration at the "Family & Friends" event at Lone Star University Campus. Volunteers will be needed at this registration as well.

Awards, **Micheline Hutston** CFRW is eligible for the Diamond Award this year.

Hospitality, **Alice Gullett** received good reports about the August social held at Black Horse Country Club. Since these reports were favorable, the Christmas Party will be at Black Horse December 6th.

New Business

Delegates for the TFRW Convention were elected at this meeting. Those delegates elected are Barbara Buxton, Clarisa Chavez, Joy Gregory, Jan Ott, Rita Parrish, Gail Shubot and as alternates Beth Mayer, Linda Llewellyn and Dawn Dobbs.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Vivian Marlatt





MEMBER/EVENT PHOTOS



Pictured Upper Left: (L-R) CFRW Joy Gregory, Mary Moss, Jan Ott, Congressman McCaul, Rita Parrish, Millie Alford, Vivian Marlett, Judie Stokes

Middle Left: (L-R) HCRP Coffee Beth Mayer, Congressman McCaul, HCRP Chairman Paul Simpson

Lower Left: (L-R) NFRW Convention Jan Ott, Kim Chambers-TFRW, Millie Alford



Upper Right: (L-R) NFRW Convention Millie Alford Accepts Diamond Award from Jody Ruston, Pres., TFRW

Above & Below: VIP Receptions & Tea for Congressman Michael McCaul



Lower Right: (L-R) Reception for Governor Abbott - Houston Pachyderm Club

Barbara Buxton, Jan Ott, Governor Greg Abbott, Millie Alford, Rita Parrish, Mary Moss, Betty Collins & her guest.



Campaign Activities ~ Joy Gregory

We have held two successful Voter Registration Drives this month. We registered 33 voters at Shop Til You Drop held on September 12th at the Berry Center. Darcy Mingoia & Mary Moss also registered 42 voters at Lone Star College on September 17th. We will hold another drive at Lone Star on October 13th. Please let me know if you can help out. A BIG THANK YOU goes out to all of the ladies that helped with these events.





Legislative - by Rita Parrish

Congressman Michael McCaul, who is the Chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security, visited with Cy-Fair Republican Women on August 18th and spoke with us on many of the issues he has been involved in over the past months. Border security was, of course, high on his list of priorities as was all potential terrorist threats. He has since then become concerned with the Syrian Refugee situation in Europe and has issued a couple of statements because it has now become even more relevant to the U.S.

In a September 9th interview on *Fox and Friends*, Steve Doocy mentioned that several months prior Isis threatened to send ½ million migrants to Europe as a psychological weapon - meaning there could be bad guys and good guys sent in together. Steve said, “You wrote a letter to the President regarding this. What did you say?” Congressman McCaul said, “I’m concerned about the safety not only of the Europeans but of the American people first and foremost. The FBI has told me, because of the lack of human intelligence, we can’t properly vet these individuals past any databases. And until I have that assurance, I can’t support a policy that would provide a jihadist pipeline into the United States. We have read their documents themselves where they talk about exploiting the refugee issue to get into the United States. Look, we are very compassionate on this issue. I think it’s a tragedy of extraordinary proportions. But we’ve got to do this thing right, a wholesale let-in of thousands of Syrians into the United States, not knowing who they are, I think would be very irresponsible.” One month later to the day, perhaps the following bill will help with these concerns.

Press Release, For Immediate Release, September 18, 2015

Today, Congressman McCaul, Chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security, introduced the [Refugee Resettlement Oversight and Security Act](#). If enacted into law, this legislation would give the American people’s representatives the chance to vote up or down on the President’s plan to resettle 10,000 Syrian refugees into the United States and improve the security vetting process. Specifically, this bill will:

- Require affirmative approval by both the House and Senate before any refugees are admitted to the U.S.
- Allow Congress to block any inadequate refugee resettlement plan put forward by the President.
- Require the Administration, when considering the admission of refugees from Iraq and Syria, to prioritize the resettlement of oppressed religious minorities.
- Ensure DHS, in coordination with DNI and FBI, provides new security assurances before admitting refugees into the country and for the Governmental Accountability Office to conduct a sweeping review of security gaps in the current refugee screening process.

McCaul: "Many Americans are understandably concerned about the threat posed by inadequate security screening procedures for refugee seeking entry into the United States. ISIS themselves have stated their intention to take advantage of the crisis to infiltrate the west. We have to take this threat seriously.

This bill will rein in the Administration’s refugee resettlement plans and give Congress more control over the process by requiring the Administration to get affirmative approval from Congress through the enactment of a joint resolution before any refugees may be admitted into the United States.

These important security updates to the refugee process are necessary for not only the security of the United States, but for the safety of the refugees.”





Cy-Fair Republican Women

2015 Membership Application



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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				
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"/>
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Associate Man	<input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	\$35.00		<input type="checkbox"/>

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<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

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

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