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Upcoming Important Dates	
Feb. 7th	CFRW RSVP Deadline
Feb. 14th	CFRW General Meeting
Feb. 23rd	CFRW Board Meeting
Feb. 27th	CFRW Newsletter Article Due
March 3rd	Go Texan Day
March 14th	CFRW General Meeting
March 23rd	CFRW Board Meeting
April 5th	TFRW Belles & Boots Event
April 6th	Legislative Day
April 7th	TFRW Board Meeting

President

Barbara Buxton



Congratulations to President Trump and Vice President Pence! As a new era begins, we go forward with a positive and hopeful eye on the future. Texas State Comptroller Glenn Hegar, speaker at the January meeting of Cy-Fair Republican Women, had just such a message for the economy of our great state and we thank him for bringing it to us.



As a member of CFRW, you will have many opportunities to interact with community, state and federal leaders. Come have lunch with us, ask questions and have conversations with the civil leaders, authors and activists who visit our organization.



One of the continuing goals of CFRW is to make sure that each person feels welcome and at ease the minute she walks through door. We want you to enjoy your time with us so that you will visit again and become an active member.

Input and suggestions are always welcome and the CFRW Board of Directors wants to know what types of programs and

speakers as well as other activities interest you. Look for a questionnaire coming soon that will give you an easy opportunity to tell us where to go....with our planning efforts.

Thank you for your interest and support of Cy-Fair Republican Women and your active involvement with the Republican Party.

The next meeting of Cy-Fair Republican Women is Valentine's Day, February 14, 2017 at Hearthstone Country Club. Details are listed in the CFRW Newsletter and on the website, www.cfrw.net.

Respectfully,
Barbara Buxton,
President
Cy-Fair Republican Women PAC



You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today ~ Abraham Lincoln

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Hospitality

Suzanne Davis

We hope you will join us at the next meeting for Cy-Fair Republican Women on Valentine's Day, February 14, 2017, at Hearthstone Country Club. Registration and social time begins at 10:30 a.m. The meeting starts at 11:00 a.m. If you are staying for lunch, at noon, the deadline to RSVP is February 7, 2017 at www.cfrw.net.

*The price for lunch will be **\$23.00** per person Beginning in February as Hearthstone has increased our cost. It seems most of us are very satisfied having our meetings at Hearthstone and the pricing is very much in line with other facilities. The cost of the Meeting Only (coffee and tea included but you aren't having lunch) is still \$3.00 per person. There is still no charge for use of the meeting room.*



IT'S A TEXAS THING: LEGISLATIVE DAY

Texas voters don't only vote for their State Senators and Representatives. In a ritual that has repeated itself for decades, voters travel to Austin every two years to visit the Capitol while the Legislature is in session. Often coordinating the dates of their visits with other Texans of similar interests, they show up to support their elected officials and to continue to lobby for the positions and causes of greatest significance and concern to them. The "trip to Austin" affirms to Texas as a whole, our commitment to good government and the legislative process and gives everyone a chance to celebrate our blessings as Texas patriots.

Texas Federation of Republican Women invests a great amount of time and resources to assure that its' associated Republican Women's Clubs and membership have a "front seat center" opportunity for participating in a TFRW Legislative Day at the Capitol. Scheduled for **April 6** this year, Republican Women from across the state will converge in Austin, all in red jackets, coats, sweaters to visit the Texas State Legislature and make a statement through our presence in

favor of Republican beliefs and the passage of laws to achieve those principles.

In addition to the visit to the Capitol, TFRW assures the day is fun and worth your while by staging a luncheon where you can expect a who's who of Texas officials to join us. There are also workshops to enhance our effectiveness in the legislative process. Last, but not least, there is plenty of time to visit with and enjoy your Republican women friends and make some new ones. Remember, you can report hours in support of your club for virtually all your activity for this April 6 event!

Register now for TFRW Legislative Day. There are additional opportunities if you wish to go a day early or stay for an additional day. Become part of the history of Texas and the TFRW by traveling to Austin with Cy-Fair Republican Women and Republican Women from throughout Texas.

Gail Schubot,
CFRW Legislative Chair
January 24, 2017

February is Heart Month!

Go Red for Women

Come hear our speaker, Shirley Chambers, to learn more about what you can do to combat heart disease through nutrition.

There is more than one reason to wear red for February. Laura Bush said, "I encourage every one of you to go home, pull out your favorite red dress, and tell every woman you know that heart disease doesn't care what you wear." Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women. Mrs. Bush served as the ambassador for *The Heart Truth*® program as part of her Women's Health and Wellness Initiative. "With the many risk factors for heart disease, our greatest risk is ignorance."



Shirley Chambers will review the new Guidelines by the American Heart Association. With a special focus on Women's Health and Wellness, she will discuss recommendations for fats, fiber, sodium, and sugar intake. Special concerns for women's health issues will be reviewed.

With extensive experience, Shirley Chambers specializes in the areas of Wellness, Stress Management, Weight Management, Cardiovascular Nutrition and Diabetes Education. A Registered, Licensed Dietitian/Nutritionist and a Certified Diabetes Educator, Shirley earned a Master's Degree in Education from the University of Houston, and served as a nutrition faculty member for 13 years, as well as the Director of the Dietetics Program. She has held many professional roles, including Education Specialist for the Cardiac Rehabilitation program at Memorial Herman Southwest Hospital. As a consultant to numerous corporations/groups and nutrition spokesperson for television/radio, she has experience in public speaking, writing, recipe development, cooking schools, and supermarket tours. Shirley has earned many awards and her publications include "Critical Question Review Results in Lifestyle Recommendations to Reduce Cardiovascular Risk," *On the Cutting Edge*.



Join or Renew Your Grassroots Club Membership Today! For \$8.25/month, or \$99/year, you can support the mission of the Republican Party of Texas to elect Republicans at all levels of Texas government, run a fair primary and a strong state convention. Go to: <https://politics.raisethemoney.com/republican-party-of-texas-GRC> and then click on Grassroots for more detail.

Ways and Means

Kristen Govantes

What a year 2016 was!! Now that our election activities have tapered off a bit, it's that time in the life of Cy-Fair Republican Women to get ready for the biggest fundraiser for our organization!! High Heels and High Tea will be this Fall – and there is a way to help the organization for every member. We'll begin by having our first planning meeting in Mid-February, so please look for sign up sheets at the February General Meeting. I look forward to plenty of fun, with your help, planning this wonderful event!! If you have an area that you've helped out in year's past, or already want to get on the list, send me an email kristen.govantes@gmail.com or kristen@houstondreamhouses.com

Thank You!

Kristen Govantes

2nd Vice President, Ways and Means – CFRW

TFRW Resolution Promoting Transparency in Election: Next Stop, Texas Legislature?

Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW), of which Cy-Fair Republican Women and its members are a part, adopted a resolution at its October 22, 2016 Board Meeting “Promoting Free Speech and Transparency in Elections”. The resolution supports legislation “to clarify that organizations engaged in political advocacy must publicly disclose their donors just as candidates and political action committees do.” The resolution goes on to qualify that this legislation should not apply to religious congregations or groups primarily engaged in providing charitable services, but specifically to those organizations which primarily engage in formal political advocacy for

candidates, causes or legislation.” TFRW’s efforts with this resolution were sparked by the fact that Democrats were largely successful in candidate races throughout Texas’ urban areas in November, 2016 and significantly funded by large, undisclosed, out-of-state donors. Quoting TFRW’s website “Big money forces like George Soros should not be allowed the opportunity to sway our elections by skirting the reporting laws that candidates and political action committees, such as our clubs, must follow.” Concerns about disclosure of donors to primarily religious and charitable organizations are addressed by TFRW in the Resolution by

providing that any resulting legislation exempt such groups. As you are aware, the Texas Legislature convened this January, 2017, and multiple bills have been and are being filed for consideration by our State Senate and House. At the time of the writing of this article, it is understood TFRW is seeking a sponsor among the Texas Legislature to write and introduce a bill to advance the Resolution. Stay tuned as we follow the progress of the TFRW resolution, and if introduced as a bill, its movement toward becoming a law. Gail Schubot, CFRW Legislative Chair January 23, 2017

What separates the winners from the losers is how a person reacts to each new twist of fate.
~Donald Trump

CFRW is co-hosting a Voter Registrar Training Class (VDVR) with Mark Irey, NW Senior Field Representative, Harris County Republican Party, on [March 8 at 6pm](#) at the:

Harris County Republican Party
Northwest Office
[21503 Suite C Tomball Parkway, Houston, TX 77070.](#)

The class has a limited amount of slots available. Please contact Pat Baughman, CFRW Campaign Activities Chair, to sign up as soon as possible:

baughmantx@yahoo.com

Treasurer **Micheline Hutson**

From Your Treasurer

We are in search of CFRW material that may be in former board members’ care. CFRW has a store room and we would like to consolidate and inventory everything in one place. Please bring to a meeting or call me (713) 825-7720 for convenient pickup.

Our next Texas Ethics Commission Report is due Thursday, April 6, 2017, covering income and expenses from January 1, 2017 through March 27, 2017. Please submit expenses promptly so that you may be reimbursed promptly. Attach all receipts to an Expense Report (download from CFRW.net). The TEC report date is date of purchase. If you donate something, that is considered an “in kind” donation and must be reported also. You can use the same expense report form. Please report in a timely manner to keep CFRW and PAC Treasure in compliance with state law. Thanks!

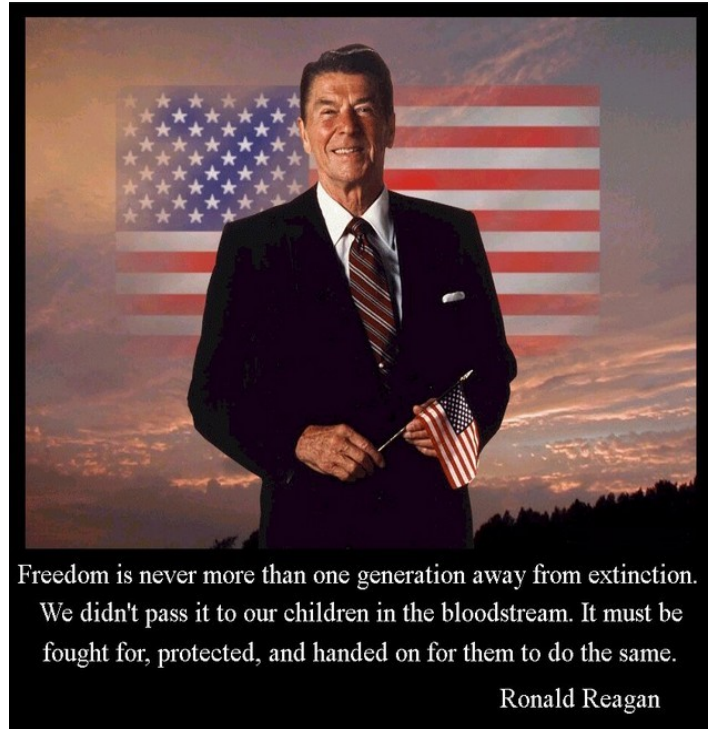
Membership

Edith Gibson

Thank you to everyone who has renewed their membership for 2017! We are happy that you have chosen membership in Cy-Fair Republican Women. If you have not renewed, for your convenience you will find an application at the back of this newsletter, or you may download a copy of the form from our newly updated website: www.cfrw.net. Won't you please take the time to fill this out and return it with your check to the address on the bottom of the form, or bring it with you to the next CFRW meeting.

We expect another outstanding year for our members in 2017. It will be an exciting year to be a Republican and we look forward to great things happening. The Cy-Fair Republican Women's Club will continue to provide a forum for individuals to discuss, learn about and become involved in important, current issues.

Remember to share information about CFRW with your friends, family and neighbors and invite them to come with you at an upcoming meeting.



Secretary

Linda Llewellyn

General Meeting Minutes

Cy-Fair Republican Women

Hearthstone Country Club

General Meeting:

Tuesday, 1-10-17

Meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by President **Barbara Buxton**.

Fae Lord led us in invocation and pledges.

Barbara introduced Guests and Elected Officials.

Jan Ott, 1st Vice President introduced the speaker, Texas State Comptroller, **Glenn Hegar**, who delivered a very positive picture of Texas' financial future. Texas has 10th largest economy in the world.

Business Meeting:

Minutes from last meeting were approved as published.

At this time we have 28 paid members.

Mary Kay Brady reported on items needed for Caring for America. Those include

Quart-size Zip Lock bags, disposable razors, water flavor packets, and granola bars.

A Chair for Literacy Projects is needed. If you are interested in more information, please contact **Gail Schubot**.

Grassroots, sign in if registered.

New Business:

GHC and TFRW Nuts & Bolts Training Workshop and Recognition of Incoming Club Presidents is Jan. 17, at Mendenhall Community Center, cost \$20, which includes lunch.

Jan. 19, 6 p.m. at Weekly Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd, Cypress, will be Voter Registration Training.

Feb. 7th, at 6:00 p.m. Voter Registration Training will be held at the Republican Center at 21542 State Hwy 249. For information call **Mark Irely** at 281-734-5550.

Important dates:

Greater Houston Federated RW Nuts 'N' Bolts Training Workshop Jan. 17
CFRW Board Meeting- Jan. 19, 11:00 a.m., Hearthstone CC
TFRW Board Meeting Jan. 27-28, Austin- go online to register.

Next General Meeting – Tuesday, Feb. 14, RSVP by Feb. 7
TFRW Legislative Day in Austin, April 6

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Llewellyn



**TFRW 1st Quarter Board Meeting
Austin, Texas
January 27-28, 2017**



Right - Jan Ott and Barbara Buxton each won door prizes at luncheon at January TFRW Board Meeting. The books were signed by Nancy Reagan and Barbara Bush and donated by Daryl Reynolds, who is seated in the picture with them.



*Left:
Carolyn Hodges
Patricia Harless
Jan Ott*



Cy-Fair Republican Women

2017 Membership Application

DATE: _____		<i>OFFICE USE:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> IN PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> MAIL/ EMAIL	
PRINT FIRST AND LAST NAME:			
CONTACT INFORMATION		PUBLISH IN DIRECTORY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
Home Address:		Cell Number:	
City, State, Zip:		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?	
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE RPT GRASSROOTS CLUB?			
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Associate Woman ~ <i>Active member of which Republican women's club?:</i>		<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			
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Please list talents/skills you possess: <i>(Computer skills, presentation/speaking, meeting/event planning, etc.)</i>			
Please make check payable to Cy-Fair Republican Women		Total Amount Due:	
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If there is candidate information in this publication, it is not an endorsement by Cy-Fair Republican Women, the CFRW President, or the CFRW Campaign Chair. CFRW's involvement is to provide candidate information to help you make an informed decision and get involved with the candidate of your choice.

Solicitations made by federal candidates and officeholders are limited by federal law. The federal candidates and officeholders are soliciting only donations of up to \$2500 from individuals and up to \$5000 from multicanidate political committees. They are not soliciting donations in any amount from corporations, labor organizations, national banks, federal contractors, or foreign nationals.

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IMPORTANT LINKS:

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

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

<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

Share the Vision...Join Republican Women