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Upcoming Important Dates

July 3rd	Meeting RSVP Deadline
July 4th	Independence Day
July 11th	CFRW General Meeting
July 20th	CFRW Board Meeting
July 24th	Newsletter Articles Due
Aug. 1st	Meeting RSVP Deadline
Aug. 6th	CFRW August Social
Aug. 17th	CFRW Board Meeting
Aug. 21st	Newsletter Articles Due
Sept. 4th	Labor Day
Sept. 11th	Patriot Day
Sept. 14-17	NFRW Convention
Oct. 19-21	TFRW Convention
Nov. 3rd	High Heels & High Tea

President

Barbara Buxton

July 2017

First, Cy-Fair Republican Women would like to thank John Boles, author of *Jefferson: Architect of American Liberty* for his insightful



presentation on Thomas Jefferson at our June meeting. Secondly, as we celebrate our Independence Day in July, I would like to share the following excerpts from President Ronald Reagan's July 4, 1986 address to the nation. It is still pertinent today.

"My remarks tonight will be brief, but it's worth remembering that all the celebration of this day is rooted in history. It's recorded that shortly after the Declaration of Independence was signed in Philadelphia celebrations took place throughout the land, and many of the former Colonists -- they were just starting to call themselves Americans -- set off cannons and marched in fife and drum parades.

What a contrast with the sober scene that had taken place a short time earlier in Independence Hall. Fifty-six men came forward to sign the parchment. It was noted at the time that they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honors. And that was more than rhetoric; each of those men knew the penalty for high treason to the Crown. "We must all hang together," Benjamin Franklin said, "or, assuredly, we will all hang separately." And John Hancock, it is said, wrote his signature in large

script so King George could see it without his spectacles. They were brave. They stayed brave through all the bloodshed of the coming years. Their courage created a nation built on a universal claim to human dignity, on the proposition that every man, woman, and child had a right to a future of freedom.

All through our history, our Presidents and leaders have spoken of national unity and warned us that the real obstacle to moving forward the boundaries of freedom, the only permanent danger to the hope that is America, comes from within. It's easy enough to dismiss this as a kind of familiar exhortation. Yet the truth is that even two of our greatest Founding Fathers, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, once learned this lesson late in life. They'd worked so closely together in Philadelphia for independence. But once that was gained and a government was formed, some-

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Welcome CFRW New Member

Evelyn Rice





CFRW
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- Newsletter:** Sharon Edwards
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- Awards:** Joy Gregory
- Legislative:** Gail Schubot
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713-562-4901
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Committee Chairs

- Caring For America:** Mary Kay Brady
- Chaplain:** Fae Lord
- Grassroots:** Sarah Singleton
- Historian:** Clarisa Fether
- Publicity:** Nancy Roberts
- Registration:** Alice Gullett
- Website:** Rita Parrish

Secretary

Linda Llewellyn

General Meeting Minutes

Cy-Fair Republican Women
Hearthstone Country Club
General Meeting Minutes-Tuesday, June 13, 2017

President Barbara Buxton Called the meeting to order.

Chaplain Fae Lord led invocation and pledges.

Barbara introduced guests and elected officials.

Gail Schubot introduced the speaker, John B. Boles, author of Thomas Jefferson, Architect of American Liberty. Mr. Boles is professor of History at Rice University in Houston. His knowledge and enthusiasm charmed all in attendance.

Secretary's report was approved as published.

Treasurer Micheline Hutson provided written reports to all.

Jan Ott reports that the program for July will be from TxDot.

Edith Gibson, Membership Chair, reports 63 active members.

Mary Kay Brady reports that we will support Cy-Hope, serving the 150,000 students in CFISD, 1/2 of whom are at-risk. Needed items will be listed by email.

Suzanne Davis announced the August Social at Sterling Country Club, August 6.

Gail Schubot also provided copies of her letter to Gary Elkins, supporting HB25, HB958, SB5 and SB14, in behalf of CFRW.

Sarah Singleton gave us the information to sign up for Texas Grassroots Club:

<http://politics.raisethemoney.com/republican-party-of-texas-GRC>

Once you have joined, notify Sarah at: sarahtx@gmail.com.

This meeting qualified as a quorum to elect a delegate for NFRW, with no nominations.

Meeting was adjourned.

Important dates:

Tuesday, July 11

CFRW General Meeting, Hearthstone CC,
10:30 a.m. RSVP deadline, July 3.

Elect Delegates and Alternates to TFRW Convention
in Dallas

Thursday, July 20

CFRW Board Meeting, Hearthstone CC, 11:00 a.m.

Monday, July 24

Newsletter articles deadline

Sunday, August 6

August Social, Sterling CC, Details, TBA

Thursday, September 14-17

NFRW Convention, Philadelphia

Thursday, October 19-21

TFRW Convention, Dallas

Friday, Nov. 3

High Heels and High Tea, Sterling CC,

16500 Houston National Blvd

Houston 77095, 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Llewellyn



Rebuilding US 290 - The Overall Vision and Its Impact

Mike Zientek, TXDOT Senior Public Involvement

Our freeways have a major impact on our daily lives and in our area, the 290 project addresses the overwhelming congestion on this major mobility link. The Texas Department of Transportation's improvements cover a corridor of varying width that is approximately 38 miles long, extending from the interchange area of I-10W/I-610/US 290 northwest to FM 2920.

Mike Zientek, TXDOT's Senior Public

Involvement Representative, will give a presentation on this construction project. The Corridor upgrade is designed to address overwhelming traffic congestion in this major mobility link in Greater West Houston's transportation system serving northwest Harris County.

No highway project can be addressed without also identifying funding mechanisms that allow the Depart-

ment to advance construction areas of the 290 Program's Corridor. It is important to note that these funding mechanisms are limited, and affect what is being done.

Join us to learn more about this project as it affects our daily lives and economically impacts our community.

'President's Article'

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thing called partisan politics began to get in the way. After a bitter and divisive campaign, Jefferson defeated Adams for the Presidency in 1800. And the night before Jefferson's inauguration, Adams slipped away to Boston, disappointed, brokenhearted, and bitter.

For years their estrangement lasted. But then when both had retired, Jefferson at 68 to Monticello and Adams at 76 to Quincy, they began through their letters to speak again to each other. "It carries me back," Jefferson wrote about correspondence with his cosigner of the Declaration of Independence,

"to the times when, beset with difficulties and dangers, we were fellow laborers in the same cause, struggling for what is most valuable to man, his right to self-government. Laboring always at the same oar, with some wave ever ahead threatening to overwhelm us and yet passing harmless . . . we rowed through the storm with heart and hand . . ." It was their last gift to us, this lesson in brotherhood, in tolerance for each other, this insight into America's strength as a nation. And when both died on the same day within hours of each other, that date was July 4th, 50 years exactly after that first gift to us, the Declaration of Independence.

My fellow Americans, it

falls to us to keep faith with them and all the great Americans of our past. Believe me, if there's one impression I carry with me after the privilege of holding for 5-1/2 years the office held by Adams and Jefferson and Lincoln, it is this: that the things that unite us -- America's past of which we're so proud, our hopes and aspirations for the future of the world and this much-loved country -- these things far outweigh what little divides us. And so tonight we reaffirm that Jew and gentile, we are one nation under God; that black and white, we are one nation indivisible; that Republican and Democrat, we are all Americans. Tonight, with heart and hand, through whatever trial

and travail, we pledge ourselves to each other and to the cause of human freedom, the cause that has given light to this land and hope to the world.

My fellow Americans, we're known around the world as a confident and a happy people. Tonight there's much to celebrate and many blessings to be grateful for. So while it's good to talk about serious things, it's just as important and just as American to have some fun. Now, let's have some fun -- let the celebration begin!"

Respectively,
Barbara Buxton

SPECIAL SESSION FACTOIDS

Cy-Fair Republican Women: As you finish your daily aerobics at the pool or gym, how nimble do you feel concerning the upcoming Special Session of the Texas Legislature? Here are a few factoids to serve as a foundation for following the news this summer and conversing over your iced tea or coffee:

Special Sessions are authorized by the Texas Constitution.

Only the Governor may call a Special Session.

A Special Session runs for thirty days.

The number of Special Sessions called by the Governor is unlimited.

There has not been a Special Session since 2013.

This is the first Special Session Governor Abbott has called.

The Special Session begins July 18, 2017.

Only the topics presented by the Governor may be taken up by the Legislature during a Special Session.

Governor Abbott has announced a robust agenda of 20 topics to be taken up by the Legislature during the Special Session this summer.

While former Governor Rick Perry called several Special Sessions while he occupied the governor’s office, former President George W. Bush never called a Special Session while governor of Texas.

Some of the topics to be taken up during the Special Session are high profile and controversial ... part of the reason why the proposed legislation was not concluded in the Regular Session. So, keep your news source alongside your other summer reading to follow the ups and downs, thrills and chills of the Special Session. Remember that your State Senator and State Representative along with TFRW will be publishing informative updates. Will the Legislature’s activity compare to the newest summer action movie or a trip to Six Flags? – Time will tell.

Gail Schubot, CFRW Legislative Chair

June 26, 2017

Treasurer **Micheline Hutson**

FROM THE TREASURER

Please submit expenses and in-kind donations incurred from April 27, 2017 through June 30, 2017. The Texas Ethics Commission deadline is July 17, 2017.

Are you thinking of donating to High Heels and High Tea silent and live auctions? Note all non-monetary items (theme baskets, etc.) must be submitted as “In-Kind” donations. Dollar value of

auction items could be eBay or Amazon estimates. All forms are available on the CFRW.net website.

On another subject, if you have kindly stored any Cy-Fair Republican Women items, please bring to any meeting so that they may be transferred to the club storage room.



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. This club helps 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. Once signed up be sure to let Sarah Singleton know at clubinfo@cfwr.net that you have signed up.



There will be a Voter Registrar Training on Wednesday, July 12th, at the Harris County Republican Party Northwest Office located at 21542 Hwy. 249 (Tomball Parkway).

It starts promptly at 6 p.m. Please arrive early to ensure that you get a seat since the class is posted on the Harris County Tax Assessor's Website. All participants must arrive on-time and attend the training in its entirety on a first-come, first-serve basis. Trainings are approximately one hour.

RSVP at <https://wwwhctax.net/Voter/Deputy> no later than 48 hours in advance to receive your certificate of appointment on the same day of the VDVR training. If no RSVP is submitted, you can still attend and receive your certificate of appointment by mail within 10 business days after completion.

Also, if you would like to bring cookies or other snacks, it would be greatly appreciated.

Ways and Means

Kristen Govantes

High Heels and High Tea – Please save the date!! This great event will be Friday November 3rd, 2017. This year CFRW will celebrate our biennial fundraiser at beautiful Sterling Country Club at Houston National at 16500 Houston National Blvd., Houston, Texas 77095. Have you found a way to enjoy this event from behind the scenes? Contact our Committee Chairs to help CFRW make it an event to remember!!! (Please see directory for contact info.)

Auction/Program Ads: Edith Gibson (Chair), Sharon Hamilton, Bonnie Winter

Financial: Micheline Hutson (Chair), Wanda Threadgill

Program Speakers: Jan Ott, (Chair)

Registration/Ticket Sales: Suzanne Davis (Co-Chair), Pat Baughman (Co-Chair), Linda Llewellyn

Style Show: Jan Ott and Rita Parrish (Co-Chair)

Table Sponsors: Joy Gregory (Chair), Sandra Vinklarek

Vendors: Nancy Roberts (Chair), Alice Gullett





CFRW will be collecting items for Cy-Hope, one of our new Caring for America Projects. These donations will benefit children in the Cy-Fair ISD. Please bring any of the requested items on the list to the right that you want to donate to CFRW meetings. Mary Kay Brady, Caring for America Chair, will then take them to Cy-Hope for distribution.

Anyone interested in helping Mary Kay, please contact her at clubinfo@cfrw.net.

Let the Fourth of July always be a reminder that here in this land, for the first time, it was decided that man is born with certain God-given rights; that government is only a convenience created and managed by the people, with no powers of its own except those voluntarily granted to it by the people. We sometimes forget that great truth, and we never should. Happy Fourth of July.

- Ronald Reagan

Hope Center Wish List

Pre-packaged Snacks:

- Small Water Cups
- Goldfish
- Cheez-it
- Chips (variety pack)
- Fruit Roll Ups
- Valentina Hot Sauce
- Pretzels
- Keebler Fudge Stripe Cookies
- Animal Crackers
- Welch's Fruit Snacks
- Water Bottles
- Caprisuns

Cleaning Supplies:

- Swiffer Wet Jet Liquid
- Swiffer Wet Jet Pad Refills
- Lysol Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Lysol Disinfectant Spray
- Raid Roach Spray/Wasp Spray
- Clorox Disinfecting Wipes
- Windex Glass Cleaner Spray
- Hand Sanitizer
- SoftSoap Antibacterial Hand Soap
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- 13 Gallon Trash Bags
- Large Black Trash Bags
- Small and Large Ziplock Bags

Kids Clothes: (gently used or new)

- Socks
- Sweaters/Jackets
- Shirts
- Pants
- Shoes
- Hygiene Supplies (ex. Deodorant, Shampoo, etc.)

Toys:

- Board Games (ex. Battleship, Monopoly, etc.)
- Sports Equipment (ex. Basketballs, Footballs, etc.)
- Crafts! Any type of crafting supplies, materials (ex. Paint, Glue, Markers, Scissors, etc.)
- Hula Hoops
- Jump Ropes
- Play-Doh
- Cars
- Gently Used or New Books
- Barbies or Dolls



Cy-Fair Republican Women

2017 Membership Application

DATE:	OFFICE USE: <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?		
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
MEMBER TYPE		
Name Badge Order ~ <i>Please print how you would like it printed:</i>	<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 ~ <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		
<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: <i>(Computer skills, presentation/speaking, meeting/event planning, etc.)</i>		
Please make check payable to Cy-Fair Republican Women		Total Amount Due:
Mail check and this form to:		Please circle Cash or enter Check #:
Edith Gibson		Date Received:
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Houston, TX 77064		
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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.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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